

Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Baumgardner
Mr. Williams

SAC, Atlanta

December 13, 1956

~~Director, FBI~~

PERSONAL ATTENTION

~~CITIZENS COUNCILS~~
~~INTERNAL SECURITY - X~~

Although reports have been submitted to the Department on all citizens councils concerning which we have conducted investigations and inquiries to date, the Department has indicated the activities of these organizations do not fall within the purview of Executive Order 10450. In view of this fact, there is no basis upon which to base justification for further inquiry. Therefore, you are instructed to immediately discontinue inquiries concerning all citizens councils upon receipt of this letter. It is your responsibility to also immediately notify auxiliary offices of the discontinuance of the investigation.

In order that the Bureau may continue to carry out its responsibilities of keeping interested Government agencies informed of information of interest to them, you must continue your efforts to keep abreast of developments in order that the Bureau may be apprised of any situation which indicates a potential for violence. In obtaining information, however, absolutely no inquiries are to be made by you. You must secure the desired information through close scrutiny of the public press plus whatever information may be volunteered to you.

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NOTE ON YELLOW: See memo Belmont to Boardman, 12-13-56,
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Letter to SAC, Atlanta
Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS

With respect to the use of confidential informants, I want it clearly understood that no informant is to be given any assignment in connection with obtaining information regarding the activities of citizens councils without prior Bureau authority. If you have a confidential informant already reporting on citizens councils matters you may continue to accept information volunteered by the informant but you must not give him any additional assignments in this field. If you feel it is necessary for some specific reason to continue an informant in a particular citizens council you must immediately advise the Bureau, together with the identity of the informant, his reliability and your assurance that continued operation of the informant will not result in any embarrassment to the Bureau.

Each office receiving copies of this letter must submit to the Bureau a monthly summary of information concerning the activities of citizens councils in your respective territories. The first such letter is to be submitted to reach the Bureau by January 15, 1957, and each succeeding letter must be submitted to reach the Bureau by the fifteenth of each month. This summary, which shall consist of an original and seven copies, must be submitted in memorandum form suitable for dissemination and forwarded to the Bureau by cover letter. These summary memoranda and your cover letter must bear the caption "Citizens Councils, (name of field office)". Each of these summary memoranda must also be dated.

As in the past, information received concerning citizens councils which requires expeditious handling must not be delayed for inclusion in the monthly summary but must be furnished to the Bureau promptly by whatever means of communication is required by the nature of the information.

Letter to SAC, Atlanta
Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS

This matter must receive your personal attention and it is your responsibility, insofar as is possible, to see to it that the Bureau will continue to be in a position to furnish pertinent information concerning potential violence to interested Government agencies.

With respect to the administrative handling of current cases, you should submit a closing report within 30 days from the date of this letter. This report should incorporate any information which has been obtained to date not previously reported. If there is very little information to be reported, you may at your discretion submit a closing letter. On the administrative page of the closing report or in the closing letter make reference to this letter in order that the administrative handling at the Seat of Government may be facilitated.

The fact that we are discontinuing our inquiries concerning citizens councils is not to be discussed or made known in any manner to anyone outside your own office. This includes your confidential informants.

Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/15/57

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

Re Bulet to Atlanta dated December 13, 1956 requesting submission of a monthly summary of information concerning captioned matter.

Enclosed is an original and seven copies of this summary in accordance with re Bulet.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Baltimore, Maryland

January 15, 1957

Re: Citizens Councils,
Baltimore Field Office

On December 11, 1956 a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a joint meeting of the Anne Arundel County Chapter and Montgomery County Chapter of the Maryland Petition Committee was held in Marlboro, Maryland on December 4, 1956 and was attended by approximately thirty persons.

[redacted] Anne Arundel County Chapter, said one of the purposes of the meeting was to assist in the reorganization of the Prince Georges County Chapter of the Maryland Petition Committee.

[redacted] Maryland Petition Committee, also spoke at this meeting on the subject of Senate Bill 276 which he stated was a bill to provide assistance to those Negroes who wish to return to Africa.

[redacted] urged those present to write to their congressmen urging support of this Bill. [redacted] also read several letters from one [redacted] described by [redacted] as the [redacted] Movement, which movement [redacted] said advocates assistance to Negroes who wish to return to Africa.

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The Washington Daily News, a Washington, D.C. daily newspaper, dated December 10, 1956 contained an interview of John Kasper, characterized by this newspaper as a twenty-seven year old leader of the Seaboard White Citizens Council.

This article states in effect that Kasper is free on \$10,000. bond after being convicted in Clinton, Tennessee of violating a Federal Court injunction forbidding interference with Negroes attending previously all white schools.

The article continues as follows:

" 'There was no injunction' Mr. Kasper said 'and we are appealing the verdict to a higher court. Not one of the sixteen persons now under arrest in Clinton were served personally with an in-

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" 'junction ... and since the whole procedure is illegal, it is final proof of the breakdown of law and order in the U.S.

'We will spill blood, before we will bow to this creeping federal dictatorship' he said."

According to this article Kasper said there are presently White Citizens Councils in northern Virginia, namely Arlington, Fairfax, Alexandria, Manassas and Culpepper.

The Montgomery County Sentinel, a Montgomery County, Maryland weekly newspaper dated December 13, 1956 contained an article quoted in part as follows:

"John Kasper, sentenced to a year in jail for stirring up racial tensions in Clinton, Tenn., made a two hour anti-integration speech Sunday night at the home of Buford Wynne in Poolesville." 41D

The article states in effect that Kasper was accompanied at this meeting by members of the Maryland Petition Committee, which meeting was attended by about twenty-five individuals. According to the article some of those individuals present were members of a newly organized Poolesville branch of the Maryland Petition Committee.

This article is quoted in part as follows:

"Anti-integrationists must be prepared to go to jail in their fight to preserve segregation, Mr. Kasper stated. Meetings of pro-integrationists must be broken up 'physically ... by whatever means necessary,' he advocated."

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DATE 01-24-2012 BY 60324/UC/baw/sab/aio

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 3)

DATE: 2/4/57

FROM : *DKB*
SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)SUBJECT: *Bu*
CITIZENS COUNCIL
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Rebulet 1/29/57 captioned above (Bufile 105-56188).

Reference is made to Baltimore letter dated 1/15/57, enclosing summary of information concerning captioned matter.

The identity of the confidential informant referred to in this summary of information is Panel Source, requested.b6
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TO : Director, FBI (105-34237Sub 3)

DATE: February 15, 1957

FROM : *DKB* SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

Re Bureau letter dated December 13, 1956.

Enclosed are eleven copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter.

Three extra copies of this memorandum were prepared and are being submitted for the Bureau's files on the Maryland Petition Committee, Better Dorchester Schools and Talbot Citizens Association.

- file 100-20067-11*
DKB
- ⑤ - Bureau (100-20067) (11-Enclosures)
 - (100-415566) (Maryland Petition Committee)
 - (100-39165) (Better Dorchester Schools)
 - (105-52696) (Talbot Citizens Association)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Baltimore, Maryland
February 14, 1957

RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

The "Evening Capital", an Annapolis, Maryland, newspaper, dated January 31, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that on January 30, 1957, Anne Arundel County Legislators accepted for study five bills proposed by the Maryland Petition Committee as a means of blocking racial integration in the public schools.

The article continued that the proposals were taken under advisement after a hearing in the House chamber at the State House, at which some 75 members of the MPC's Anne Arundel County chapter appeared to urge that the bills be introduced by the local delegation.

MD According to this article the bills were outlined by C. MAURICE WEIDEMEYER, Annapolis Attorney, who assisted in their preparation. He said they are aimed at giving residents in individual states the right to determine whether they want their children to attend racially integrated schools through enactment of a Constitutional amendment.

The article also stated that one of the measures also would permit use of public funds for the private education of pupils who do not want to attend mixed classes.

According to "The Frederick Post", Frederick, Maryland newspaper, dated January 31, 1957, a group of over fifty residents of Carroll County, representing the Carroll County Petition Committee, went to Annapolis on January 28, 1957, to "impress upon and discuss with the Carroll County senator and delegates, the right of qualified Maryland voters to use their constitutional right to determine if they desire integrated or segregated schools."

This newspaper article stated in effect that according to HARRY E. COONEY of New Windsor, Chairman of the Carroll County Petition Committee and spokesman for the group, it was pointed out to the legislators that the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution reserves the right of

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BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

states to regulate and control their educational systems. He also said his group feels that the Supreme Court should not be permitted to further invade the rights of the states, especially in the field of education.

The article continued that other groups led by their local chairmen, ROBERT L. WISEMAN, Ellicott City, Public Relations Director for the Maryland Petition Committee, and GEORGE WASHINGTON WILLIAMS, Baltimore Attorney who ran for the Senate last Fall on an anti-integration ticket, conferred with legislators from their various counties.

According to the "Daily Banner," a Cambridge, Maryland, newspaper, dated January 26, 1957, a hearing to discuss an elected school board for Dorchester County would be held in Annapolis, Maryland, on January 28, 1957. This article continued that Dorchester's five school board members are appointed by the Governor to six-year terms.

This newspaper article stated in effect that ROBERT BOTTCHEER, Vice President of Better Dorchester Schools, Incorporated, a group formed to delay school integration in the county, said that his group is interested in pushing for an elected board.

"The Easton Star-Democrat," an Easton, Maryland, newspaper, dated February 1, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that the Talbot Citizens Association, one of two organizations which fought the integration of two county schools this past September announced this week the election of new officers.

This article listed these officers as follows:

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| President: | HENRY A. SPIES, SR. |
| Vice President: | VICTOR M. HORN |
| Secretary: | MRS. MADELINE LAWSON |
| Treasurer: | MRS. MARIE CHANCE |

This article continued that in a publicity handout to local papers by Mrs. GEORGE E. MAYER, the organization revealed that a bill calling for an elective school board

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BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

in Talbot County has been discussed and approved in recent meetings.

This memorandum is being loaned to you by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 3)

DATE: 3/15/57

FROM : *AKB* SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)SUBJECT: *7* *0* CITIZENS COUNCILS
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BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

Re Bulet dated 12/13/56.

Enclosed are ten copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter. Two extra copies of this summary were prepared and are being submitted for the Bureau's files on the Maryland Petition Committee and the Baltimore Association for States Rights.

The identity of the Confidential Informant referred to in the summary is

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- ② - Bureau (Encls - 10) (1 Encl - 100-415566, Maryland Petition Committee)
(1 Encl - 105-45821, Baltimore Association for States Rights)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Baltimore, Maryland
March 15, 1957

RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

The Evening Star, a Washington, D. C. newspaper, dated February 12, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that Maryland segregationists, unable to find sponsors in the General Assembly for bills to maintain continued segregation of schools, called a mass meeting for February 12, 1957 in Deale, Maryland, sponsored by the Anne Arundel County Chapter of the Maryland Petition Committee to discuss this situation.

This article continued that handbills distributed on February 11, 1957 at the Legislature read:

"Attention!

Seven bills introduced by colored Senator COLE to destroy segregation in all public places in Maryland, but white legislators still hesitate to introduce our MPC (Maryland Petition Committee) bill.

We must fight for our rights!

Come to Deale Memorial Hall, Deale, Md., Tuesday,
February 12, 8 p.m.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN's birthday--He favored segregation."

The Washington Post and Times Herald, a Washington, D. C. newspaper, dated February 14, 1957, contained a newspaper article stating in effect that sixty members of the Anne Arundel Chapter of the Maryland Petition Committee, met on February 12, 1957 in Deale, Maryland to begin a letter campaign to their representatives at the Statehouse.

It continued that Maryland Petition Committee members are seeking introduction of five pieces of legislation drafted by C. MAURICE WEIDEMEYER, Annapolis attorney, to defeat integration legislation. Two of the legislative proposals were described in this article as "stop-gap measures" which would forbid any child from being

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BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

compelled to attend an integrated school and provide that any child refusing to attend could receive \$100.00 each from county and state toward his education in a private school.

The article is quoted in part as follows:

"The other three proposals are joint resolutions which would ask:

The Legislative Council to prepare an amendment to the State Constitution which would permit the people themselves to introduce legislation.

Congress to propose an amendment to the U. S. Constitution providing that no other amendment to the constitution be construed as requiring racial integration in schools.

Congress to propose a strong States Rights amendment."

On February 28, 1957 a Confidential Informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished an undated letter from the Baltimore Association for States Rights, Inc., Post Office Box 6301, Baltimore, Maryland, postmarked Baltimore, Maryland February 19, 1957, [REDACTED] February 21, 1957. [REDACTED]

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This letter states in effect that a group of Maryland citizens have decided to join together in an effort to bring about the restoration of the state powers abrogated by recent United States Supreme Court decisions and to ward off any future encroachment upon the basic rights of the forty-eight sovereign states.

This letter further states that on February 27, 1957 a meeting will be held in Baltimore to draft a States Rights program, and that [REDACTED] will preside and [REDACTED] be present to assist in developing a program.

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This letter is signed by [REDACTED] as Corresponding [REDACTED]

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 3)

DATE: 4-12-57

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

Rebulet dated 12/13/56.

Enclosed are 9 copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter. One extra copy of this summary was prepared and is being submitted for the Bureau's file on the Maryland Petition Committee.

The identity of the confidential informant referred to in the summary is Panel Source.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Baltimore, Maryland

April 12, 1957

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

On April 3, 1957, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished Maryland Petition Committee Bulletin Number 17 dated March 1957, [redacted] that date through the mail from the Baltimore County Chapter #2, Maryland Petition Committee, Inc., Sparrows Point 19, Maryland.

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This bulletin contains an article stating in effect that on March 1, 1957 the Maryland Petition Committee's Legislative Initiative Bill, known as HB630, was introduced in the House of Delegates, and that this bill will give the people of Maryland the right to initiate legislation by a referendum.

It continues that this bill, if passed, will give the people an opportunity to bypass the legislature and force referenda on school bills, which bills the legislators have refused to introduce.

This bulletin further requests Maryland Petition Committee members to write to legislators and request they vote for passage of Bill HB630.

This bulletin contains a notice of a meeting of the Baltimore County Chapter Number 1, Maryland Petition Committee, to be held March 21, 1957, Mt. Carmel Road, Baltimore County, and a notice of a meeting of the Calvert County Chapter, Maryland Petition Committee, to be held on March 18, 1957 in Owings, Maryland.

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cc Liaison Section
cc Mr. Kelly

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Date: May 21, 1957

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

There is being furnished you herewith
for your information a copy of a memorandum dated
May 13, 1957, prepared by the Baltimore Office of
this Bureau concerning captioned matter.

Enclosure

cc Director of Naval Intelligence (Enclosure)

cc Office of Special Investigations (Enclosure)
Air Force BY COURIER SERVICE

cc Assistant Attorney General
William F. Tompkins

(By Form 2-6, same date)
(Enclosure)

cc Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

(By Form 2-6, same date)
(Enclosure)

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TO : Director, FBI (105-34237 Sub 3)

DATE: 5/13/57

FROM : *DKB* SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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INTERNAL SECURITY - X
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

ReBulet dated 12/13/56.

Enclosed are 9 copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter. One extra copy of this summary was prepared and is being submitted for the Bureau's file on the Maryland Petition Committee (Bufile 100-415566).

The Maryland Petition Committee Bulletin #18 referred to in this summary of information was received by this office through the mail on the date indicated in confidential Post Office Box 1115, Baltimore, Md., directly from the Maryland Petition Committee, Jessup, Md., which box is maintained for this purpose.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Baltimore, Maryland
May 13, 1957

Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

On April 17, 1957, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished Maryland Petition Committee Bulletin #18, dated April, 1957, published in Jessup, Maryland, which Bulletin contains an article stating in effect that the State Board of Directors of the Maryland Petition Committee approved a "Freedom Dollar Crusade" designed "to place a MAN in the Governor's seat, and men in the Maryland Legislature who will take the operation of our public schools out of the hands of a tyrannical Supreme Court and return it to the People of Maryland, as provided by the 10th Amendment to the United States Constitution."

This Bulletin continues that this Crusade will be handled exclusively by the Political Action Division of the Maryland Petition Committee, and that during the next 19 months, authorized representatives will cover the entire State and solicit Freedom Dollars "from anyone and everyone in favor of separate schools for the white and Negro races." This Bulletin is quoted in part as follows:

"These Freedom Dollars will be used locally, in each county and Baltimore City district, to choose and elect Delegates and State Senators who will protect our States' Rights and wipe race-mixing out of our public schools. Campaign literature and sample ballots will be printed and distributed to all registered voters in these areas that we are organized. This Crusade will be strictly non-partisan. The Political Action Division will support Democrats, Republicans, Independents and Conservatives,--but it will support no candidate who does not take a public stand to defend our racially-separate school system that is still on the law books of the State of Maryland."

It is requested in this Bulletin that Freedom Dollars be sent to the Maryland Petition Committee, Political Action Division, Post Office Box 21, Ellicott City, Maryland.

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cc Liaison Section
cc Mr. Williams

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Date: June 25, 1957

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

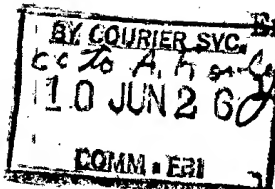
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CITIZENS COUNCILS/ AND
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INTERNAL SECURITY - X

There is being furnished you herewith for
your information a copy of a memorandum dated June 18,
1957, concerning the captioned matter.

Any additional pertinent information
received relative to this matter will be furnished
you promptly.

Enclosure



1 - Office of Special Investigations BY COURIER SERVICE
Air Force (Enclosure)

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence (Enclosure)

2 - Baltimore

2 - Charlotte

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ATTENTION SACS, BALTIMORE AND CHARLOTTE JUL 8 1957

Reference Charlotte letter dated June 18, 1957,
captioned "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Internal Security - X."

Baltimore is instructed to discreetly ascertain
through established informants and sources the name of the
organization with which [] is affiliated. Such information

1 - Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins
(By Form O-6, same date) (Enclosure)

1 - Assistant Attorney General Warren Olney III
(By Form O-6, same date) (Enclosure)

cc Bufile 105-55211 (Knights of the Ku Klux Klan)
(See note on yellow page 2)

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Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence

as the aims and purposes of the organization, the methods the organization intends to use in achieving its objectives and the names of the leaders should be obtained and furnished promptly. All information contained in the files of your office concerning Abbott and the leaders of this organization should be set forth. Submit results in form suitable for dissemination.

No open investigation is desired at this time. All contacts should be made in a discreet manner.

Charlotte is instructed to maintain close contact with [redacted] and any additional pertinent information received by that informant concerning the racial situation in Delaware should be promptly furnished the Bureau and Baltimore.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

On June 10, 1957, [redacted] with [redacted] the White Citizens' Councils of District of Columbia. [redacted] during the meeting [redacted]

[redacted] He made other similar statements. [redacted] is connected with Klan organization in North Carolina. At this time we do not know whether the organization in Delaware is a Klan group or a citizens council. If it is determined this is a Klan organization an investigation will be initiated in accordance with existing policy. In the event it is a citizens council results of Baltimore's inquiries will be furnished the Department. Where a determination can be made as to whether or not additional inquiries are warranted. This also is in accord with existing policy. Bufiles are being searched on [redacted] Charlotte requested blank memorandum being disseminated not be identified as having come from Charlotte in order to protect identity of informant, therefore, letterhead shows Washington, D. C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-55211)

DATE: 6/18/57

SAC, CHARLOTTE (105-495)

SUBJECT: KNIGHTS OF THE KKK
IS - X
(OO: Charlotte)

Re Charlotte airtel to Bureau and Baltimore 5/28/57,
Charlotte teletype to Bureau 6/7/57, Charlotte airtel to Bureau
6/10/57 and Bureau teletype to Charlotte 6/7/57 concerning
travel by [redacted] to

[redacted] Seaboard White Citizens Councils and
[redacted]

There is attached a blank memorandum setting forth
information obtained by informant on this trip. The informa-
tion was orally furnished on 6/11/57 and reduced to written
form and was read and signed by him on 6/17/57. The original
is in Charlotte file [redacted] Information furnished to
SA JAMES M. UNDERHILL.

Informant left Charlotte [redacted]

[redacted] His expenses for the trip totaled \$76 for which he
has been reimbursed under authority of Bureau teletype of
6/7/57. Itemized receipt will be forwarded to the Bureau.

(105-55211)

- 10-Bureau (Encls. 15) (RM)
- 3-Atlanta (Encls. 3) (RM)
- 6-Baltimore (Encls. 6) (RM)
- 2-Birmingham (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Chicago (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Knoxville (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Los Angeles (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Memphis (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Miami (Encls. 2) (RM)
- 2-Mobilo (Encls. 2) (RM)
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Informant states that [redacted] on [redacted] and was in contact on that date with [redacted]

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telephone [redacted] and he was stated to be connected with the Defenders of Va. [redacted] is connected with Seaboard White Citizens Councils. [redacted] stated that he, himself, works in the [redacted] and is planning to [redacted] in [redacted] stated that JOHN KASPER was in Tennessee where he had seen some people in connection with the case in court against KASPER.

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Informant stated that on [redacted] who was said to be very active in Seaboard White Citizens Councils, was also stated to have been with JOHN KASPER in Clinton, Tenn., last year during the trouble about Negro children attending a white school. [redacted] stated he works for [redacted] incident some official of that company had tried to get him to resign his job but he had refused.

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Concerning [redacted] the statement was made that he had [redacted] but was [redacted] connection with the Seaboard White Citizens Councils.

Conversation with this group on [redacted] took place at the [redacted] from that office. The information in the attached blank memorandum furnished by [redacted] concerning various individuals and organizations connected in fighting racial integration was furnished by him on [redacted] and most of the names set out were on a [redacted]

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The statements attributed to [redacted] made by him during contact by informant, [redacted] This contact lasted from the [redacted] of [redacted] until the [redacted] trip these individuals [redacted]

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6/26/57 in the National Guard Armory at Silver Spring, Md.
[redacted] during the trip, made the comment that
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In the body of the blank memorandum exact dates and persons present have not been mentioned in an effort to protect identity of the informant.

Informant stated that [redacted] lives with his [redacted]
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[redacted] stated that the meeting with officials of
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[redacted] did not say whether the manager is a member or sympathizer in any Klan organization.

[redacted] made a statement that [redacted]
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In connection with the meeting to be held [redacted]
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stated that the [redacted] is to be [redacted] This date was omitted from the blank memorandum for assistance in covering informant.

Concerning the allegation that [redacted]

[redacted] discussed this at some length and a statement was made that a publication is going to be put out (apparently by Seaboard White Citizens Councils) making this allegation.

[redacted] The name under which these groups operate was not mentioned.

Informant stated that the various statements of [redacted] appeared to meet with agreement from [redacted] and the impression was gained that these matters had been discussed between them before. It was clear that [redacted] and [redacted] were acquainted before this occasion.

Informant stated that these individuals had expressed themselves as very much in favor of the independent union which was discussed as being against Communism and against central control of unions by the AFL-CIO [redacted] this matter again [redacted] stated he [redacted]

Informant stated that on [redacted]

[redacted] This letter was in response to a letter [redacted] had written of [redacted] throughout the U. S. [redacted] said he had just received the reply [redacted] and that it said the information [redacted] and could not be furnished.

In connection with the [redacted] as on the [redacted] no stated that [redacted]

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On [redacted]

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It is noted these [redacted]

There are [redacted]

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which has a question mark by it; and the name [redacted]

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Separate memoranda concerning [redacted] and the other individuals mentioned as being Government employees and members of Seaboard White Citizens Councils are not being submitted by Charlotte under 14C-0, SGE, UACB, because of Bureau instructions that investigations of Citizens Councils should not be conducted.

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Ten copies of this cover letter and 15 copies of the attached blank memorandum are being forwarded the Bureau for possible use in placing copies in the files of the organizations mentioned.

Copies are also being transmitted to the Offices covering organizations or individuals mentioned.

It is requested that Offices receiving copies of this communication advise Charlotte of the known pertinence or value of this information for assistance in evaluating this informant.

There are also being furnished to the Bureau and Washington Field by separate communication copies of a blank memorandum concerning information received by this informant from [redacted].

The blank memorandum does not include Charlotte as the place of preparation as a measure to aid in protecting the informant.

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Informant said that when [redacted]

In any report which may be written on this material, no mention should be made of the [redacted], as set out on Page 4.

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Extreme caution should be used in reporting information contained in this letter and information should be appropriately paraphrased in the event it is set out in a report. No indication should be made as to the location of the informant.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

June 18, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS AND KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that during [redacted] had made the following statements:

[redacted] stated he attended a public meeting of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan held at Columbia, South Carolina. [redacted] at that meeting. [redacted] stated that in [redacted]

[redacted] would begin and there would not be any racial integration in the schools in [redacted]

[redacted] has stated [redacted] had been held he [redacted]

[redacted] and others He said that at this meeting it was agreed there would [redacted]

[redacted] and he stated the objective now is to go after the [redacted] the [redacted] and the United States Government.

[redacted] stated [redacted] of the States Rights Citizens Council of Georgia and that this is the real organization behind the U. S. Klans, which is just a public front.

[redacted] stated "they" [redacted] that are fighting integration and are setting up a Board to [redacted]

[redacted] He mentioned that one of the national leaders is [redacted]

[redacted] and another is [redacted] a retired [redacted] in the [redacted] who ran last year for [redacted] and other

individuals discussed that this/ [redacted]

[redacted] stated he is [redacted] in Citizens Councils in Mississippi, the Seaboard White Citizens Councils

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Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS AND KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS

which has headquarters in Washington, D. C., and the Virginia Defenders. He commented that in [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has made the statement that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had made a statement, according to this source, that two [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He made a statement that others in office who take actions along those lines [REDACTED] but that this should happen after they [REDACTED] in office. In this connection mention was made of the Governor of Tennessee for calling out the National Guard during the trouble in Clinton, Tennessee, over integration in a school there. No statement was heard to the effect such people [REDACTED] but just that it should be done.

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[REDACTED] made statements to the effect that it is the [REDACTED] who are promoting Communism and racial integration for the purpose of weakening America. He stated that some [REDACTED] are against these things and that at least one is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] and identified any longer. He also stated that [REDACTED] has a good [REDACTED] to do

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[REDACTED] since they know if they are tried they will be found not guilty. [REDACTED] commented that if the jury had found some men guilty in a recent bombing trial in Montgomery, Alabama, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for the Advancement of Colored People have planted some [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He made the statement

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[REDACTED] stated that the

[REDACTED] because of court decisions in favor of Communism. According to this source, the recent Supreme Court decision that the FBI had to show its records to a Communist on trial [REDACTED] but that the decision is bad because it will enable the Communists to destroy the country.

[REDACTED] has made the statement that

In connection with not being against [REDACTED] had stated that some of the biggest support "we are getting" is from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] heads of other churches have passed resolutions in favor of integration but no attention is being paid to them.

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[redacted] has stated that a meeting is to be held [redacted]

It was not definitely stated what organization is putting on this meeting but the Seaboard White Citizens Councils was mentioned in connection with it. [redacted] has also stated that a meeting will be held in [redacted] on [redacted] and that there may be men at this meeting [redacted]

It was not determined definitely whether these meetings are to be open to the public but it is believed that the meeting on [redacted] will be open to the public and it is possible both those meetings will be open to the public.

The statement [redacted] from [redacted] and other states at both these meetings. It was not stated that they will be [redacted]

[redacted] has also stated that a big public meeting is to be held in [redacted] and that Klansmen from various Klan organizations are to be there [redacted] The exact location of this meeting was not learned nor the name of the organization that will put it on.

The source stated that [redacted] of [redacted] talks and speeches which are generally [redacted]

The above source has also stated that [redacted] the Seaboard White Citizens Councils. [redacted] Washington, D. C., has also spoken during [redacted] of various organizations fighting racial integration. Among organizations which he has mentioned as connected under this were the following:

Seaboard White Citizens Councils 100-428391
Defenders of Virginia 105-32909
Maryland Petitioners 100-415566
Mississippi Citizens Council 105-24237
States Rights Citizens Council of Georgia 105-37158
U. S. Klans, under [redacted] 100-7801
Florida Klans under [redacted] 100-356570

Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS AND KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS

Gulf Klans, of [redacted] 105-5381
A Klan organization in Louisiana, headed by a
[redacted] 105-56744
Citizens Council in Louisiana

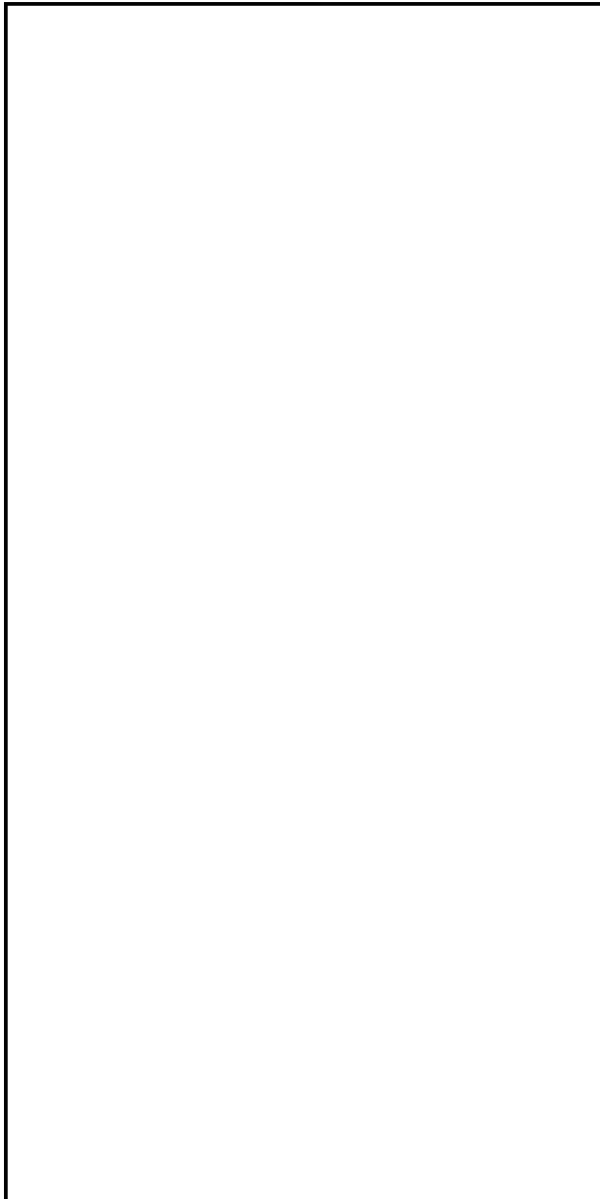
[redacted] has stated that the following are on the



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[redacted] has also mentioned the following as connected
with the [redacted] but not as [redacted]
[redacted] No name has been learned for the [redacted] other
individuals who have been mentioned are:



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[redacted] has spoken
of many of the same individuals and has made the statement

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cc Mr. Williams

SAC, Baltimore

July 24, 1957

Director, FBI (105-34237-3)

CITIZENS COUNCILS AND
KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

ReBulet to Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army, dated June 25, 1957, copies of which were furnished your office. In relet you were instructed to ascertain the name of the organization with which [redacted] is affiliated, the aims and purposes of the organization and the methods the organization intends to use in achieving its objective. You were also instructed to furnish information contained in the files of your office concerning [redacted] and the leaders of this organization.

Bufiles fail to reflect receipt of information requested. It is desired that this information be submitted without further delay and that the Bureau also be furnished the results of the meeting which was scheduled for [redacted] which you advised in your airtel of captioned "Knights of the KKK, Internal Security - X," would be covered through established reliable sources.

You are reminded that no investigation of this organization should be conducted; however, it is imperative that the Bureau be in possession of information concerning this organization and its members prior to the time schools are opened in Delaware.

NOTE ON YELLOW: A Charlotte informant advised [redacted] and other individuals in Delaware are opposed to integration in schools in that state and that the [redacted]

He made other similar statements. We do not know whether the organization is a Klan group or a citizens council and, therefore, no investigation is being requested at this time. However, prior to the time any violence ensues we should have information concerning this organization and should also have disseminated data.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237-3)

DATE: July 31, 1957

[Signature]
FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20499)SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS and
KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Bureau letter, dated July 24, 1957.

Contacts with established reliable sources failed to develop any information concerning activities in Delaware. Sources developed no information concerning scheduled meeting, [redacted] and they are quite certain no such meeting held.

Sources also report [redacted] is known segregationist, who freely voices his opinion on the subject, but he has no known organization affiliations in Delaware. However, information obtained [redacted] that attempts presently being made to form statewide organization known as "Delaware Citizen's Council," to fight integration, and [redacted] was present at a meeting of about 100 persons at Milford, Delaware, on July 25, 1957.

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Report being prepared on [redacted] and will be submitted in near future.

- ③ - Bureau (105-34237-3)
1 - Charlotte (105-471) (Info)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237-Sub-3)

DATE: 8/2/57

FROM : *RKB* SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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Rebulet 6/5/57.

Enclosed are ten copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter. Two extra copies of this summary were prepared for Bureau files on We the People and Delaware Citizens Council. In accordance with existing Bureau instructions, no investigation concerning these organizations will be conducted.

Information concerning important developments regarding these organizations and other citizens councils will be forwarded to the Bureau as they occur.

- ② - Bureau (Encl. 10) (REGISTERED MAIL)
 3 - Baltimore (100-20067)
 cc: 100-19802 We the People
 cc: 100- Delaware Citizens Council

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Baltimore, Maryland
August 2, 1957

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Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE FIELD OFFICE

The Salisbury Times, Salisbury, Maryland, dated July 27, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that the Delaware Citizens Council, reported to be a new organization, has held several meetings and is picking up strength through the efforts of NELSON ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, who, according to this article, was a former leader of the National Association for the Advancement of White People.

According to this article, after a trip to the South, ABBOTT reportedly began the organization of a Delaware Citizens Council in Sussex County, Delaware, and has already held meetings in his home.

This article is quoted as follows:

"..... Mr. ABBOTT said recently: 'We believe the American people have the right to choose their associates and most of all have the right to select an environment for their children.

'Our primary purpose is to insure this by organizing so that we can back up our local boards of education. We are an organization to calm, rather than arouse, the people.

'No outside troublemakers will be brought into Delaware, although there will be officials from Southern states asked to speak on constitutional topics.' "

This article further stated in effect that meetings have been held recently by the Citizens Council in Milton, Milford and Millsboro, all Delaware, and that ABBOTT's group met some resistance in Milton, Delaware. It was reported that some

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of the residents there resented his "butting in" at a mass meeting held there last summer concerning integration.

According to this article, another organization, We the People, reportedly in existence for several years, is soon to be re-activated under the leadership of CHARLES E. ~~BOYCE~~, Seaford, Delaware.

This article is quoted as follows:

"While the Citizens' Council is actively opposed to integration in the schools, the We the People group places emphasis on states' rights, 'not primarily to promote segregation for the state but to emphasize that schools are a matter for the state, instead of the federal government,' in the words of Mr. BOYCE.

"Mr. BOYCE said last night that his group will probably hold a meeting some time in the coming week. 'We have been dormant some time,' he said, 'but now we plan to reactivate.' "

In this article BOYCE was quoted as saying that We the People is "a pretty fair-sized minority group" and definitely "not connected in any way with the Citizens' Council"

He is further quoted in this article as follows:

"We are a constitutional government group, and we work mostly in legal terms. And I myself have no connection with Mr. ABBOTT's activities nor am I acquainted with the details of them,' "

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 3)

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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The Salisbury Times, Salisbury, Maryland, dated 7/27/57, contained an article stating in effect that the Delaware Citizens Council, reported to be a new organization, has held several meetings and is picking up strength through the efforts of NELSON ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, who according to this article was a former leader of the National Association for the Advancement of White People.

According to this article, after a trip to the South, ABBOTT reportedly began the organization of a Delaware Citizens Council, Sussex County, Delaware, and has already held meetings in his home. Meetings have reportedly been held by the Citizens Council in Milton, Milford and Millsboro, all Delaware, and according to this article ABBOTT's group is meeting resistance in Milton, Delaware, because residents of that town resented his "butting in" at a mass meeting held there last summer concerning integration.

This article continued that we the People, reportedly to have been in existence for some years, is soon to be reactivated under the leadership of CHARLES E. BOYCE, Seaford, Delaware. This article states that we the People places emphasis on state's rights "not primarily to promote segregation for the state but to emphasize that schools are a matter for the state, instead of the federal government."

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BOYCE also stated that this organization definitely is not connected in any way with the Citizens Council, and does not work in the way they do. He said We the People is a constitutional government group working mostly in legal terms.

A memorandum suitable for dissemination is being prepared, and no active investigation will be conducted concerning these organizations.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237-3)
FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)
SUBJECT : CITIZENS COUNCILS
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The Salisbury Times newspaper, Salisbury, Maryland, dated 8/7/57, contained an article to the effect that the Milton District, Delaware Citizens Council, was organized 8/6/57 at the American Legion Home, Milton, Delaware, and according to the article is the first of several councils in the process of being formed in Sussex County to work for continued segregation in the schools.

The article continues that the council states it is working to support district boards in the peaceful cooperation of schools and is against mob violence and bringing in outside speakers. The movement plans formation of a state organization.

Officers of this district were listed in the article as CLIFTON HUTCHINS, President and Chairman; JOSEPH WEAVER, Secretary; HARVEY SCHMIERER, JR., Treasurer.

Among the rules adopted was that of a schedule of meetings to be held every Tuesday night except on the second Tuesday

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of each month, which is the date of regular school board meetings. This article also indicated that after the formation of local organizations, a state organization is contemplated.

A memo suitable for dissemination is being prepared and will be forwarded promptly.

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Mr. Kelly

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Date: August 15, 1957

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: DELAWARE CITIZENS COUNCIL
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reference is made to my memorandum dated June 25, 1957, captioned "Citizens Councils and Ku Klux Klan Organizations, Internal Security - X."

Additional information received in this matter reflects that the organization with which [redacted] is affiliated is known as the Delaware Citizens Council. There is being furnished herewith for your information a copy of a memorandum dated August 2, 1957, prepared by the Baltimore Office of this Bureau concerning captioned matter.

With reference to "We the People" the October 6, 1955, issue of the "Wilmington Journal-Every Evening," a daily newspaper published in Wilmington, Delaware, contained an article on page one under the caption "Right-Wing Group Being Organized." This article stated in part as follows:

2 - Baltimore

See note, page 2.

1 - 105-34327-3 (Citizens Councils and Ku Klux Klan Organizations)

1 - 105-55211 (Knights of the Ku Klux Klan)

100-152962 (We The People)

1 - AAG Tompkins (By Form 0-6, same date) (Enclosure)

1 - AAG Olney (By Form 0-6, same date) (Enclosure)

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"A new political action group is being organized in Delaware to work with both major political parties for the selection of conservative candidates on the 1956 tickets. The organization known as 'We the People' is not a third party according to men active in its formation. Nationally one of the top objectives of 'We the People' is United States withdrawal from the United Nations."

Any additional pertinent information received relative to this matter will be furnished to you promptly.

Enclosure

1 - Director of Naval Intelligence (Enclosure)

1 - Office of Special Investigations (Enclosure)
Air Force BY COURIER SERVICE

ATTENTION SAC, BALTIMORE:

ReBulet to Atlanta dated December 13, 1956, captioned "Citizens Councils, Internal Security - R."

In accordance with the provisions of reBulet you should conduct no investigation of captioned organization; however, you should be alert to the activities of this organization and should closely scrutinize the public press for information concerning it. Likewise, you should accept whatever information may be volunteered to your office concerning the Delaware Citizens Council. Furnish the Bureau any pertinent additional information received concerning the Delaware Citizens Council in memorandum form suitable for dissemination.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 8/16/57

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

Re Baltimore letter dated 8/2/57.

Enclosed are nine copies of a summary of information concerning captioned matter. One extra copy of this summary was prepared by the Baltimore Office for the Bureau's file on the Delaware Citizens Council.

No investigation of the Delaware Citizens Council is contemplated and the Bureau will be informed of important developments as they occur.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Baltimore, Maryland
August 16, 1957

Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS
BALTIMORE OFFICE

The Salisbury Times newspaper, Salisbury, Maryland, dated August 7, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that the Milton District, Delaware Citizens Council, was organized on August 6, 1957 in Milton, Delaware, this being one of several councils in the process of being formed in Sussex County to work for continued segregation in the schools.

This article continued that the Council states it is working to support District Boards in the peaceful operation of schools and is against mob violence and bringing in outside speakers. The movement plans formation of a State organization.

According to this article meetings have also been held in the Milford, Selbyville, Dagsboro, and Frankford Districts, Sussex County, Delaware, and that the Millsboro, Delaware District was reported to have had several meetings in the past few weeks and, according to this article, is close to forming organization.

This article indicated that 50 dues paying members attended the meeting in Milton, Delaware held August 6, 1957 and that the following officers were elected:

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| President and Chairman | - CLIFTON HUTCHINS |
| Secretary | - JOSEPH WEAVER |
| Treasurer | - HARRY SCHMIERER, JR. |

Rules were adopted at this meeting calling for meetings every Tuesday night except the second Tuesday of each month which is the date of the regular School Board meetings.

According to this article a State Organization is planned after the formation of local organizations and when enough "resources" are assembled it is planned to obtain a State charter as required

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by State law to operate as a non-profit organization.

NELSON ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, formerly prominent in the National Association for the Advancement of White People, according to this article, is described as one among those persons active in the organization of the Councils.

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1 - Liaison
Mr. Williams

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Date: August 27, 1957
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.
Attention: Chief, Security Division
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: CITIZENS COUNCILS AND
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There is being furnished you herewith for your information a copy of a memorandum dated August 19, 1957, captioned "Citizens Councils and Ku Klux Klan Organizations (KKK)" prepared by the Baltimore Office of this Bureau.

With regard to the information set forth in the enclosed, a confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that on [redacted] was held [redacted]

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The same informant advised that on the night of [redacted] another meeting was held at which [redacted] referred to above, and [redacted] spoke. [redacted] and [redacted] of the Ku Klux Klan active in North Carolina, were present at this meeting.

According to the informant, another meeting is scheduled to be held at Milford on [redacted]

Any additional pertinent information received relative to the above will be furnished to you promptly.

- Enclosure
- 1 - Director of Naval Intelligence
 - 1 - Office of Special Investigations (encl) 1 - AAG Tompkins by 0-6; same date. (encl)
 - 1 - Air Force 1 - AAG HIX by 0-6; same date. (encl)
 - 1 - 105-55211 (KKKK)
 - 1 - 105 (Delaware Citizens Councils)

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TO: 319,919 312,364 DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237-3)

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FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20499)

Date: August 19, 1957

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS AND
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ReBulet dated 6/25/57.

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Enclosed are 14 copies of a summary of information concern-
ing captioned matter, including information concerning
[redacted] obtained from contact of established sources
and file review. Six extra copies of this summary were
prepared for Bureau files of Ku Klux Klan, NAAWP, Common
Sense, Talbot White Citizens Council, Seaboard White Citizens
Council and Delaware Citizens Council.

Informational copies of this summary are being furnished to
Atlanta, Charlotte, and Savannah, in view of [redacted]
KKK activity in those areas.

In addition, copies of this summary are being disseminated
by separate memorandum to OMI, Philadelphia; OSI, Bolling
Field, Washington, D.C., and C-2, Baltimore, in view of the
security interest of these military agencies in captioned
organization.

Careful consideration has been given to the use of concealed
sources in this summary and it was deemed necessary to
protect the identity of these sources.

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The first source referred to in the enclosed summary of information is [redacted] The second source referred to is [redacted] and the third source referred to is [redacted] Newport News, Va., former FSI, Norfolk Office (by request).

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No specific investigation is being conducted at this time.

Baltimore will continue to discreetly follow and furnish Bureau significant information developed in regard to captioned matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Baltimore, Maryland
August 19, 1957

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On September 13, 1955, [redacted]
[redacted] Delmarva News, a weekly newspaper of Selbyville,
Delaware, advised [redacted] containing
a [redacted] this circular set forth
the tenets of the Ku Klux Klan religion and the qualifications
for membership in the Ku Klux Klan religion.

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[redacted] said this circular [redacted] shortly
after [redacted] an article which was critical of the KKK.
He advised he is familiar with the [redacted]
[redacted] Delaware, who is known to him through
[redacted], and he believed [redacted] on
the envelope containing the circular to be [redacted]
[redacted] said he was so sure [redacted] sent him the KKK
circular that he answered the circular with a letter to [redacted]
telling [redacted] that he was sure [redacted] mailed the circular to
him. [redacted] received no reply to his letter to
[redacted]

[redacted] was unable to furnish any information indicating
[redacted] was officially connected with the KKK.

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Information Concerning [redacted]

On September 14, 1955, a source, who has furnished reliable
information in the past, advised he had obtained information [redacted]

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that [redacted] Delaware, made the statement that he had a [redacted] This source said [redacted] was also alleged to have stated he had organized a Klan in Milford, Delaware, and the environs of Milford with a membership of 300 people to date and that [redacted] stated he was working with a Klan organizer by the name of [redacted] in Atlanta, Georgia. Source advised that in [redacted]

On July 20, 1956, [redacted]

[redacted] Georgetown, Delaware, advised SA [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation, that he had recently received information from a source, not further identified, to the effect that [redacted] Delaware, made a statement

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[redacted] W.W. [redacted] also advised that he recalled seeing a newspaper article over a year prior to July, 1956, which article stated that during a speech given by ABBOTT in Easton, Maryland, ABBOTT had invited the leader of the KKK to come to Delaware to organize.

[redacted] reported that his organization had developed no information indicating the organization of the KKK in Delaware. [redacted] said some information had been received that [redacted] had on occasions in the past talked to various persons concerning the KKK.

On August 16, 1956, [redacted] Milford, Delaware, furnished the following information:

[redacted] Delaware, in late 1953, and became acquainted with [redacted] both as [redacted] in Ellendale

[redacted] never actually approached [redacted] to join any organization, but he believed [redacted] attempted to secure his reaction concerning the KKK on one occasion in 1956 when [redacted] mentioned something about what [redacted] thought of people who [redacted]

[redacted] disregarded the comment by [redacted]

On May 27, 1957, a second source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised [redacted] of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina stated on [redacted] that "the Klan" has Klaverns in the north, including Maryland and Delaware.

This second source said [] stated the [] in Delaware

[] did not identify the man at that time.

This source said [] also stated he and others from North and South Carolina would put on a public Klan meeting at Milford, Delaware, shortly after the first of July, 1957. [] said

[] continued that those from the []

On [] this second source identified the man referred to by [] as the head man of the KKK in Delaware, as N. W.

He advised that on [] stated that []

[] to attend a public meeting of the United States Klans, Knights of the KKK.

On [] this second source advised that during [] Delaware, made the following statements:

[] stated he attended a public meeting of the United States Klans, Knights of the KKK held at Columbia, South Carolina, June 8, 1957, and [] at that meeting. [] stated that in [] would begin and there would not be any racial integration in the schools in Delaware.

[] has stated [] had been held he [] and others []. He said that at this meeting it was agreed there would []

[] and he stated the objective now is to go after the [] and the United States Government.

[] stated he [] of the States Rights Citizens Council of Georgia and that this is the real organization behind the U. S. Klans, which is just a public front. [] stated "they" are

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[redacted] that are fighting integration and are setting up a Board to [redacted]

He mentioned that one of the national leaders is [redacted] and another is JOHN CROMMELIN, a retired Rear Admiral in the United States Navy who ran last year for the United States Senate from Alabama. [redacted] and other individuals discussed that this [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he [redacted] of Citizens Councils in Mississippi, the Seaboard White Citizens Councils which has headquarters in Washington, D. C., and the Virginia Defenders. He commented that [redacted]

[redacted] has made the statement that [redacted]

[redacted] had made a statement, according to this source, that two [redacted]

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He made a statement that others in office who take actions along those lines [redacted] but that this should happen after they [redacted] in office. In this connection mention was made of the Governor of Tennessee for calling out the National Guard during the trouble in Clinton, Tennessee, over integration in a school there. No statement was heard to the effect such people [redacted] but just that it should be done.

[redacted] made statements to the effect that it is the [redacted] who are promoting Communism and racial integration for the purpose of weakening America. He stated that some [redacted] are against these things and that at least one is [redacted]

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[redacted] and identified any longer. He also stated that [redacted] has a good [redacted]

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[redacted] since they know if they are tried they will be found not guilty. [redacted] commented that if the jury had found some men guilty in a recent bombing trial in Montgomery, Alabama. [redacted] stated that [redacted] for the Advancement of Colored People" have planted some Negroes in Milford and Dover, Delaware, to try to get their children into white schools this Fall. He made the statement that these

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[redacted] stated that the [redacted]

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[redacted] because of court decisions in favor of Communism. According to this source, [redacted] that the recent Supreme Court decision that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had to show its records to a Communist on trial [redacted] but that the decision is bad because it will enable the Communists to destroy the country.

[redacted] has made the statement that [redacted]

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In connection with not being against [redacted] had stated that some of the biggest support "we are getting" is from [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted] heads of other churches have passed resolutions in favor of integration but no attention is being paid to them.

[redacted] has stated that a meeting is to be held [redacted] it was not definitely stated what organization is putting on this meeting but the Seaboard White Citizens Councils was mentioned in connection with it. [redacted] has also stated that a meeting will be held in [redacted] and that there may be men at this meeting [redacted]. It was not determined definitely whether these meetings are to be open to the public but it is believed that the meeting on June 27, 1957, will be open to the public and it is possible both these meetings will be open to the public.

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The statement was made that [redacted] from [redacted] and other states at both these meetings. It was not stated that they will be [redacted]

[redacted] has also stated that a big public meeting is to be held in [redacted] and that Klansmen from various Klan organizations are to be there [redacted]. The exact location of this meeting was not learned nor the name of the organization that will put it on.

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The informant stated that [redacted] has a [redacted] [redacted] talks and speeches which are generally [redacted]

On June 4, 1957, a third source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he heard from [redacted] Ellendale, Delaware, there was a large meeting of the Ku Klux Klan scheduled for Columbia, S. C. on Saturday night, June 8, 1957.

This source advised, as far as he knew, [redacted] was not an important figure in the Ku Klux Klan at Ellendale, Delaware.

On July 10, 1957, the second source referred to previously, advised he learned that [redacted] was to attend a public meeting of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the KKK, to be held at [redacted] on the evening of [redacted]

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On July 12, 1957, this second source advised he obtained no information concerning a meeting of the U. S. Klans, Knights of

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the KKK, at Pomaria, South Carolina, on July 11, 1957, and he did not know if [] went to South Carolina for such a meeting.

He further advised on July 12, 1957, that [] had stated if [] continued to do business with the United States Klans of [] then [] and his group would not want anything more to do with []

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On July 2, 1957, Chief ROBERT DOWNES, Police Department, Milford, Delaware; and on July 17, 1957, []

[] Delaware State Police, Bridgeville, Delaware; []

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[] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised they know of no KKK activities or organization sponsored by the KKK in Delaware. They advised to their knowledge [] Ellendale, Delaware, is not connected with a segregation organization in Delaware.

On July 26, 1957, [] Delaware State Police, Bridgeville, Delaware, who resides near Milford, Delaware; []

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[] Delaware State Police, Wilmington, Delaware, and [] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised they had obtained no information indicating any type of KKK activities in Delaware during July, 1957, and they were quite positive no public meeting sponsored by the KKK was held in Delaware during July, 1957.

[] Connections With the National Association for the Advancement of White People (NAAWP)

On September 24, 1954, [] volunteered to SA THOMAS O. MARTIN, Federal Bureau of Investigation, that the racial situation in the Ellendale, Milford section of Delaware, was rapidly reaching the crucial state and that a number of residents, including himself, had received threats from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in connection with the matter.

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On September 24, 1954, [] was interviewed by SA [] Federal Bureau of Investigation, concerning his allegation of threats made against him and he was unable to furnish any basis

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for his allegation. [] indicated he was interested in having the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) conduct an investigation concerning the segregation problem in Milford, Delaware, and the National Association for the Advancement of White People. X

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[] indicated he attended a mass meeting at the Milford, Delaware school on September 17, 1954, which was called by [] a representative of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, Incorporated, at which meeting [] made remarks favoring the protesting of the integration of Negro and white students at the Milford, Delaware, school.

The Wilmington Morning News, Wilmington, Delaware, on September 27, 1954, carried a news article reflecting that on September 26, 1954, the NAAWP held a mass rally at the Harrington, Delaware, Airport. This article reflects before obtaining the use of the Harrington Airport, sponsors of the meeting inquired about the possibility of using the Kent-Sussex Fair Grounds, Harrington, Delaware. According to the article an official of the fair said a man named ABBOTT from Lincoln (which is near Ellendale, Delaware) was one of the men inquiring about use of the fair grounds for the NAAWP meeting.

On December 3, 1954, [] Delaware State Police Headquarters, Wilmington, Delaware, made available to SA [] FBI, a report concerning a meeting of the NAAWP, held at the Harrington Airport, Harrington, Delaware, on October 10, 1954. This report reflected [] was on the speakers platform during this meeting and assisted in recovering money contributed by participants, which had been stolen by an individual, who was under the influence of intoxicants.

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During January and February, 1955, the first source referred to previously advised he had learned that the cost of publishing and distributing one issue of the publication, "Common Sense," that is the issue of November 1, 1954, had been paid to [] of "Common Sense" by certain persons acting for the NAAWP. This source advised [] not further identified.

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The Preliminary Report on Neo-Fascist and Hate Groups,
Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House

of Representatives, Washington, D. C., dated December 17, 1954, lists on Page 19 the following concerning the National Renaissance Party and the operators of "Common Sense":

"The National Renaissance Party and the operators of 'Common Sense' illustrate two types of subversion from the extreme right. The committee condemns any such resurgence of pro-Fascist and hate activity."

This source further advised that he had ascertained that [redacted] and one individual, who had contributed the money to [redacted] as described above in behalf of the NAAWP, had split with [redacted] of the NAAWP and were no longer assisting in the NAAWP, which was still headed by [redacted] X U

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On March 22, 1955, [redacted] Delaware, advised SA [redacted] that about the middle of February, 1955, he observed an item in a Wilmington, Delaware, newspaper to the effect that a meeting concerning segregation was to be held at the Church of the Brethren, Denton, Maryland, on a Sunday evening. [redacted] said he [redacted] of Ellendale, Delaware. [redacted]

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[redacted] said the main speaker at the meeting spoke in favor of integration. [redacted] stated after the meeting he had a discussion with some unidentified man in the group, and explained with Bible verses how segregation is taught in the Bible. [redacted] said [redacted] questioned this same unidentified man as to the man's opinion of the United States, his opinion as to whether the Government is always right and his opinion as to one world Government.

[redacted] also advised that [redacted] is a "questionable" person because he had made tape recordings of all the meetings of the NAAWP, and even though [redacted] appeared to be [redacted] he seemed to attempt to cause dissension in the NAAWP. [redacted] stated [redacted] was also suspicious because [redacted] He stated [redacted] would not join the NAAWP, but [redacted] always claimed he "is at the bottom of the barrel pushing."

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[redacted] advised [redacted] had caused [redacted] a former leader in NAAWP work, to leave the organization, that [redacted] was instrumental

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in getting [redacted] an officer of the NAAWP, out of the NAAWP, and that [redacted] appeared to be attempting to get another officer of the NAAWP, out of the organization. [redacted] said he did not know how or why [redacted] seemed to create mistrust in the NAAWP inasmuch as [redacted] appeared to be close to [redacted] stated [redacted] seemed to get inside information concerning the activities of the NAAWP because on one occasion in the recent past [redacted] knew what went on at a closed meeting of NAAWP shortly after the meeting, even though [redacted] was not present at the meeting.

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An undated letter from [redacted] addressed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. and postmarked April 14, 1955, at Milford, Delaware, stated [redacted] of Ellendale, Delaware, [redacted] Delaware, on September 24, 1954. She stated [redacted] was [redacted] This letter stated [redacted] tried very hard to discourage [redacted] from coming to Delaware.

This letter also stated [redacted]

[redacted] complained in her letter that each time [redacted] called from Washington with orders for a meeting, or otherwise.

[redacted] She also stated that [redacted]

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On May 6, 1955, [redacted] Delaware, who identified himself as a [redacted] of the NAAWP during the Fall of 1954, volunteered to SAS [redacted] he had obtained information from [redacted] Delaware, to the effect that [redacted] had represented himself as an Agent of the Federal Government.

On May 13, 1955, [redacted] Delaware, advised he had no knowledge concerning possible impersonation of a Federal Agent by [redacted] and stated he considered [redacted] to be a very nice person. [redacted] said the allegation against [redacted] was probably the result of rumors used in an attempt to injure [redacted] business because of his participation in anti-integration

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activities [redacted] stated he was never an officer of the NAAWP, but [redacted] one meeting of the NAAWP at Milton, Delaware, at the request of [redacted] b6 b7D

The Journal Every Evening newspaper, Wilmington, Delaware, carried an article on July 29, 1955, entitled "BOWLES ALLY TALKS IN MARYLAND," and datelined at Hurlock, Maryland, July 29, 1957, which stated an Ellendale, Delaware, man stole the spotlight at a Maryland anti-integration meeting on July 28, 1955. This article identified this man as NELSON W. ABBOTT and stated he was described as the most outspoken foe of integration at the meeting of the Dorchester County residents opposed to letting Negroes attend white schools. The article reported that ABBOTT told the 100 persons at the session that he hoped Delaware school boards would ignore the order of the State Board of Education to submit integration plans by August 15. It said ABBOTT identified himself as a member of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, the group formed by BRYANT BOWLES, according to this article.

This article quoted ABBOTT as saying: "We had them (Negroes) in our schools, and the courts got them out. Our local school boards have been handed down an ultimatum that they must have their reports in by August 15 for speedy integration. I hope enough of our local school boards will ignore the mandate of the state school board to keep our schools as they are."

The records of the Superior Court of Kent County, Dover, Delaware, reviewed on September 1, 1955, reflected that NELSON ABBOTT was one of the defense witnesses appearing in the Superior Court on July 25, 1955, in connection with trial of BRYANT W. BOWLES by the State of Delaware on two charges of violation of the school laws of the State of Delaware.

On September 14, 1955, the first source referred to previously, advised he had obtained information to the effect that NELSON W. ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, called the public meeting of the NAAWP, which was held at the Harrington Airport, Harrington, Delaware, on August 21, 1955, and which was attended by approximately 3000 people. This source said he also obtained information to the effect that BRYANT BOWLES, President of the NAAWP, and CONDE MC GINLEY, the editor of the newspaper Common Sense published in the State of New Jersey, were prominent on the platform at this meeting. He stated information available to him indicated the meeting was ostensibly called to oppose desegregation, but the emphasis was placed on anti-Semitism at the meeting and that thousands of copies of the publication Common Sense were distributed gratis at the meeting.

This source further advised he had also learned that [redacted] had [redacted] the publication of Common Sense and copies of other literature anti Semitic or anti-Negro in nature, [redacted] who had allegedly requested the literature for distribution to some white supremacy group allegedly headed by [redacted] in South Carolina. *GU*

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Other Activities of [redacted] in Connection with Racial Segregation

The Morning Sun newspaper, Baltimore, Maryland, carried an article on July 29, 1955, entitled "INTEGRATION HIT BY DELAWARE MAN." This article set forth information concerning a meeting of group of Dorchester county citizens held at Hurlock, Maryland, on July 28, 1955. This article described NELSON ABBOTT of Ellendale, Delaware, as the only person present who was outspoken against integration. The article quoted ABBOTT as saying "You have as much right to separate schools as any place in the deep South. Keep on with your group. You are going about it the right way. No politician can ever deny the people's wishes when they are in a large group. We had them (Negroes) in our (Delaware) schools, and the courts got them out. Our local school boards have been handed down an ultimatum that they must have their reports in by August 15 for speedy integration. I hope enough of our local school boards will ignore the mandates of the State School Board to keep our schools as they are. We feel that we cannot allow anyone to tell us that we have been wrong all these years and are not good Christians and good Americans. Keep going and keep trying."

The Sussex Countian weekly newspaper, Georgetown, Delaware, carried an article on December 15, 1955, concerning an organization meeting of the Sussex County Mental Health Association held December 8, 1955. The article indicated this meeting was held to organize a Sussex County association of the Mental Health Association, which was described as an association having nearly all 48 states represented, consisting of volunteers from the general public and entirely apart from any Governmental body or hospital management, and having for its purpose volunteer services to patients of state institutions. This article stated that at the point when the meeting was opened for discussion NELSON W. ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, rose and spoke against the national set-up of the organization, stating that it had become Communist-infiltrated. The article stated ABBOTT had literature attacking the national association.

This article stated it was decided at this meeting that the meeting had been called for those interested in forming the county

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association, and that those who were not interested had no business there, and should leave. The article said thereafter ABBOTT left the meeting, and upon being asked by a reporter if he represented any organization ABBOTT replied: "We the People."

The article stated that as soon as the story appeared in the Wilmington Morning News the reporter had a tip that officials of "We the People," not further identified, were preparing a statement saying that ABBOTT did not represent "We the People." The article said ABBOTT later stated that he appeared at the meeting only as a private citizen and member of "We the People" and had not officially represented them.

The Wilmington Morning News newspaper, Wilmington, Delaware, carried an article on June 29, 1956, concerning a mass meeting of more than 1,000 citizens held at Milton, Delaware, on June 28, 1956, in connection with the segregation issue in that school. This article stated NELSON ABBOTT of Ellendale, Delaware, spoke to the group and advised Milton citizens not to ask their school board to resign as a body since this would "leave the Milton School District at the mercy of the State School Board." The article stated ABBOTT suggested the formation of a States' Rights Council to support Senator WALTER J. HOEY, as a candidate for Governor. The article said ABBOTT stated during his speech that all integrationists are "left-wingers" as far as he is concerned.

On July 20, 1956, [redacted] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised SA [redacted] is well known in that area, and is considered by everyone to be nothing more than a rabble rouser with regard to integration of schools in Southern Delaware.

On September 6, 1956, Chief ROBERT DOWNES, Police Department, Milford, Delaware: [redacted] Delaware State Police, Bridgeville, Delaware, and Chief JOHN [redacted] Police Department, Houston, Delaware, all advised SA [redacted] that they know [redacted] as being an extremely strong segregationist in the area but they have never heard that [redacted] is a member of any segregation organization.

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On September 6, 1956, [redacted] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] is known in the community

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as being a rabble rouser with regard to the integration issue in the schools and that although he has never openly joined any segregation organization to their knowledge, he is considered to be a trouble maker with regard to this issue whenever an opportunity presents itself. These officers stated it is their opinion that the leaders of the segregation organizations do not desire to have [redacted] affiliated with them because he is considered a trouble maker.

On August 16, 1957, [redacted] Milford, Delaware, volunteered the following information:

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Sometime in 1956 [redacted] to [redacted]
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[redacted] considered [redacted] to be vague about his activities in connection with segregation matters. [redacted] formed the opinion [redacted] was opposed to Jews, Negroes, and Communists. [redacted] also obtained the [redacted] believes the Communists are behind the integration movement in the United States. [redacted] believed [redacted] took part in segregation matters because he, [redacted] wanted to be a "big shot" and impress people.

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[] could cite no specific activities of [] in connection with segregation matters. He was of the opinion that [] probably made regularly weekly trips to New Jersey to pick up the Common Sense newspaper for distribution in Delaware, because he had observed [] went to New Jersey frequently for no other apparent reason.

[] gained the impression [] was interested in getting [], who would give unfavorable information on Jews, Negroes, and Communists.

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The Baltimore Sun newspaper, Baltimore, Maryland, carried an article on September 26, 1956, concerning a meeting of two hundred members of the Talbot White Citizens Committee, an anti-integration group, held at Easton, Maryland, on September 25, 1956. This article stated N. W. ABBOTT, a Milford, Delaware, man stated, "I'm not telling you to keep your children out of school, but we did and it got results." The article said ABBOTT was referring to what happened in Milford and other Delaware towns two years previously when integration was first attempted.

On June 14, 1957, the second source referred to previously advised [redacted] was acquainted with [redacted] who were described as active members of the Seaboard White Citizens Councils of Washington, D. C., and had been in contact with them.

On June 14, 1957, this second source advised [redacted] was in pos- June, 1957.

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On July 2, 1957, Chief ROBERT DOWNES, Police Department, Milford; Delaware, said to his knowledge, [redacted] continues to be an outspoken individual in connection with racial segregation, but he knows of no organization with which [redacted] is connected and he knows of no recent activities in Delaware by [redacted]

On July 17, 1957, [redacted] Delaware State Police, Bridgeville, Delaware, and [redacted] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised [redacted] continues to be known in the general area as a strong segregationist, but they know of no activity on the part of [redacted] within the recent past.

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On July 26, 1957, [redacted] Delaware State Police, Bridgeville, Delaware, who resides at Milford, Delaware, advised [redacted] is known as a strong segregationist in the area, but he has obtained no information indicating [redacted] is connected with any organization. [redacted] stated he has not heard of any activities of [redacted] in connection with segregation matters in the recent past.

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On July 26, 1957, [redacted]

[redacted] Delaware State Police, Wilmington, Delaware, and Detective [redacted] Delaware State Police, Georgetown, Delaware, advised that [redacted] is an outspoken individual in connection with racial segregation matters in Southern Delaware, but they have obtained no information indicating he is connected with any organization, or that he has been actively engaged in any public or private meetings of any kind in connection with segregation matters in the recent past.

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Organization of the Delaware Citizens Council by [redacted]

The Salisbury Times, Salisbury, Maryland, dated July 27, 1957, contained an article stating in effect that the Delaware Citizens Council, reported to be a new organization, has held several meetings and is picking up strength through the efforts of NELSON ABBOTT, Ellendale, Delaware, who, according to this article, was a former leader of the National Association for the Advancement of White People.

According to this article, after a trip to the South, ABBOTT reportedly began the organization of a Delaware Citizens Council in Sussex County, Delaware, and has already held meetings in his home.

This article is quoted as follows:

" Mr. ABBOTT said recently: 'We believe the American people have the right to choose their associates and most of all have the right to select an environment for their children.

'Our primary purpose is to insure this by organizing so that we can back up our local boards of education. We are an organization to calm, rather than arouse, the people.

'No outside troublemakers will be brought into Delaware, although there will be officials from Southern states asked to speak on constitutional topics.'"

This article further stated in effect that meetings have been held recently by the Citizens Council in Milton, Milford and Millsboro, all Delaware, and that ABBOTT's group met some resistance in Milton, Delaware. It was reported that some

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of the residents there resented his "butting in" at a mass meeting held there last summer concerning integration.

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SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet October 23, 1957, in which you named certain individuals who furnished information to your office previously concerning activities of pro-segregation organizations active in your territory. You advised these individuals can be reactivated for current coverage of the same groups. Bureau authority must be obtained prior to contacts with these individuals for the purpose of developing them as sources concerning citizens councils.

A separate letter should be submitted on each individual and should contain information requested in Bulet to Atlanta, copies to your office, dated October 9, 1957, captioned as above.

As pointed out in Bulet of October 9, 1957, the Bureau is not interested in activities of citizens councils as such, but is interested in obtaining information indicating violence on the part of these organizations or information concerning interference with Federal court orders or injunctions. It is noted that the type of information desired by the Bureau cannot be obtained through the use of pretext telephone calls and, therefore, the use of this technique should be held to a minimum and utilized only where absolutely necessary.

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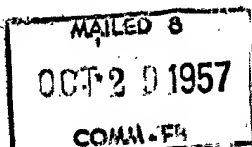
In Baltimore letter statement was made that in order to closely follow integration situation consideration will be given to making pretext telephone calls to citizens councils and to individuals connected with these councils in order to obtain information concerning pertinent activities of these organizations.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 10/23/57

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Bureau letter to Atlanta dated October 9, 1957.

BALTIMORE, MARYLANDIn the past, activity by the ~~Baltimore Association for States Rights (BASR)~~, [redacted] m2[redacted], who has handled a number of [redacted] on behalf of the Maryland Petition Committee concerning segregation, attended meetings of the BASR in the past.

[redacted] meetings of the BASR from [redacted] furnishing signed statements concerning these meetings and also furnished various literature. [redacted] can be reactivated to attend meetings of the BASR for information concerning this organization, and for information concerning segregation plans of [redacted]

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLANDThe Anne Arundel County Chapter, ~~Maryland Petition Committee~~ (NPC) is the most active chapter of this organization with efforts centered in the Annapolis, Maryland area.

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 (1 - 100-19784 - Baltimore Association for States Rights)
 (1 - 100-20083 - Talbot White Citizens Council)
 (1 - 100-20547 - Delaware Citizens Council)

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Activity consists primarily of support of a proposal of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to nullify the Supreme Court decision in the School Segregation case; the filing of petitions in State Courts to maintain segregation and political activity in support of segregation candidates in local elections.

Coverage can be re-instituted by the use of [redacted] who [redacted] of the [redacted] signed statements and literature from [redacted] [redacted] is also in contact with [redacted] an [redacted] for MPC. MD

[redacted] can be reactivated for coverage of MPC meetings in vicinity of Montgomery County, Maryland.

[redacted], is available to attend MPC meetings of the Sparrows Point, Maryland Branch. He also [redacted] MPC Bulletin and other literature.

In addition, a confidential mailbox has been in operation by the Baltimore Office since February 19, 1957 in which literature and the MPC Bulletin, a monthly publication, is received. This MPC Bulletin has been furnished to the Bureau on a monthly basis.

EASTON, MARYLAND

The ~~Talbot~~ Citizens Association was organized in September, 1956 with activity in the vicinity of Easton, Maryland. On September 5, 1957 3 individuals were arrested by Easton Police Department, for picketing integrated schools. On September 13, 1957, 10 sticks of unexploded dynamite were found on the lawn of [redacted] Maryland, a Negro whose 2 children attend an integrated school in Easton.

Since these incidents this organization is known to have held [redacted]

Two persons are being considered for coverage of this organization; [redacted] and [redacted], Easton. MD

In addition close contact is being maintained [redacted] [redacted] Easton, Maryland for intelligence information and obtaining literature.

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SALISBURY, MARYLAND

~~A~~ White Citizens Council held several meetings in Salisbury during September, 1957; however, it appears these were the only meetings of this organization. Contact is maintained with the [redacted]

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[redacted] Salisbury, and Wicomico [redacted] for information and literature concerning Citizens Council activity.

[redacted] Wicomico County, is being considered for development for coverage in this area. In addition, consideration is being given to the use of [redacted] for additional coverage.

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MILTON, DELAWARE

~~A~~ Delaware Citizens Council, organized in August, 1957, held several meetings in the area of Milton, Delaware; however, there is no known recent activity by this group.

Close contact is being maintained with [redacted] and [redacted] for intelligence information or literature. In addition [redacted] Delaware, a [redacted] is being considered for development in order to cover any renewed activity in this area.

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In order to closely follow the integration situation and to insure the success of this program, in all areas, consideration will be given to making pretext telephone calls to Citizens Councils Headquarters where in existence, and to persons closely identified with the particular Citizens Councils in order to obtain information concerning pertinent activity of the organization. In addition local newspapers will be closely followed for any information made public by these Citizens Councils.

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Date: 11/14/57

Transmit the following message via AIRTELREGISTERED MAIL

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20547)
 RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS
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 Mr. Belmont
 Mr. Mohr
 Mr. Nease
 Mr. Parsons
 Mr. Rosen
 Mr. Tamm
 Mr. Trotter
 Mr. Clark
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 Mr. Holloman
 Miss Gandy

Enclosed herewith are seven copies of blank memorandum re captioned matter and two copies of newspaper clipping for the Bureau.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Baltimore, Maryland

November 14, 1957

Re: CITIZENS COUNCILS

An article entitled "Kaspar Attorney to Speak in State" appeared on page one, column four, of the Delaware State News, a daily newspaper, published at Dover, Delaware, on November 11, 1957, and reads as follows:

"Kaspar Attorney to Speak in State

"Atty. J. Benjamin Simmons of Washington, D. C., counsel for well-known segregationist John Kaspar, will be the principal speaker at the meeting of a downstate Citizens' Council Friday night at 8 in Pocohontas Hall in Milford.

"Kaspar, who was one of the persons most involved in the racial strife at Clinton, Tenn., in 1956 when the schools there were integrated, has been in several legal entanglements for alleged violations of local ordinances as well as violation of federal court orders.

"Evelyn C. Bayless, secretary pro tem of the Council, announced that Simmons would be the speaker."

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SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)

November 29, 1957

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet dated November 21, 1957, in which you listed [redacted] as a panel source developed in connection with coverage of citizens councils.

You were advised in Bulet November 18, 1957, captioned "Maryland Petition Committee, Internal Security - X" that no attempt should be made to develop [redacted] as a source. Therefore [redacted] should not be carried as a panel source in connection with this matter.

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[redacted] was employed as a [redacted] during 1950 to 1953. Due to his former connection with the [redacted] he was discharged as a source in connection with citizens councils.

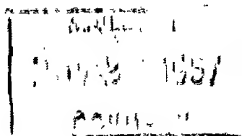
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 11/21/57

FROM : *JFK* SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)SUBJECT: *O* CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Baltimore letter dated 10/23/57.

Steps Taken to Insure Success
and Implement Program

33 Bureau authority has been granted to contact [redacted] with respect to coverage of the Baltimore Association for States Rights and authority has been received to accept information volunteered by [redacted] with respect to coverage of the Maryland Petition Committee, Anne Arundel County Chapter.

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In addition, periodic contact is being made with [redacted] in areas where past Citizens Council activity occurred in an effort to determine any indications or signs of integration troubles.

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Consideration is being given to development of additional persons in the areas of Baltimore, Maryland; Easton, Maryland; Salisbury, Maryland; and Milton, Delaware, who will be in a position to furnish information in advance of possible violence. Caution is being used to develop individuals who are completely reliable and trustworthy.

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Local newspapers published in the areas covered by the Baltimore Office are being reviewed and closely followed for any information made public by Citizens Councils and for information which may indicate possible trouble areas with respect to integration.

Results and Accomplishments

A letter from the Maryland Petition Committee, Jessup, Maryland, was received in a confidential post office box, Baltimore, containing MPC Bulletin #25, November, 1957, and a pamphlet entitled, "Platform of the Constitution Party, USA".

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This material was furnished to the Bureau on 11/21/57.

Since the date of referenced letter, no information has been received by this office from any source indicating the possibility of violence in this area. However, development of coverage along the lines indicated in referenced Baltimore letter is being continued.

Sources Developed



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TO : Director, FBI (105-34237)

FROM : *gkg*
SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)

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DATE: 12/23/57

My ReBulet to Atlanta, 10/9/57 and mylet, 11/21/57.

The Baltimore Division maintains a confidential Post Office Box for receipt of literature of the Maryland Petition Committee.

Local newspapers in the area covered by the Baltimore Division are reviewed daily for pertinent information.

Periodic contact is made with [redacted] and [redacted] in areas where Citizens Councils have previously been active.

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Consideration is being given to development of informant potential of individuals listed below. They are listed by name of organization on which they might give coverage.

Baltimore Association for States Rights

[redacted] Maryland

[redacted] has been contacted on Bureau authority and is being developed as a Panel Source.

Delaware Citizens Council, Milford, Delaware

[redacted] Delaware

Steps are being taken to obtain Bureau authority to contact and develop [redacted] as a Panel Source.

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[redacted] Maryland

A letter has been submitted to obtain Bureau authority to contact and develop [redacted] as a Panel Source.

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[redacted] Maryland

Bureau authority has been obtained to contact [redacted] as a Source of Information.

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Bureau authority has been granted to contact [redacted] for the purpose of accepting information which is furnished to him by an informant of his re the MPC.

Talbot Citizens Association, Easton, Maryland

[redacted]

A letter has been submitted to obtain Bureau authority to interview [redacted] to determine his informant potential.

White Citizens Council, Salisbury, Maryland

[redacted]

A letter has been submitted to obtain Bureau authority to interview [redacted] to determine his informant potential.

No information has been received by this office indicating impending violence or interference with court orders or injunctions. This office is continuing its efforts to develop coverage for the purposes of gathering such intelligence information and developing witnesses in the event such violence or interference occurs.

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Director, FBI

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Reurlet 12-23-57 requesting authority to
contact [redacted] concerning activities
of the White Citizens Council of Salisbury, Maryland.

Bufiles contain no information which could
be identified with [redacted] Bureau authority is granted
to contact him for the purpose of determining his
willingness and potentiality to serve as a source
concerning the White Citizens Council of Salisbury,
Maryland. [redacted] should be informed that the Bureau
has no interest in the legitimate activities of
citizens councils but is interested solely in
violations of laws within the Bureau's jurisdiction,
particularly civil rights violations, and in possible
violence.

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Submit to Bureau promptly results of contact
with [redacted] and recommendation for further action. In
the event he is cooperative, submit additional back-
ground data per instructions set forth in Section 107C,
of the Manual of Instructions.

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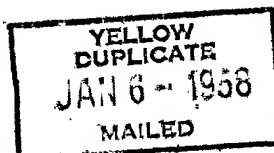
NOTE ON YELLOW: Inasmuch as no information is contained
in Bufiles which would make a contact with [redacted] inadvisable
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Informant Program."

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SAC, Baltimore [REDACTED]

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SECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM

ReBulet to Atlanta 10/9/57 captioned CITIZENS COUNCILS, IS-X.

Bureau authority is requested to contact individual listed below in accordance with referenced letter. The following information is set out.

- (1) [REDACTED]
- (2) [REDACTED]
- (3) [REDACTED] at above address and a [REDACTED]
- (4) [REDACTED] of White Citizens Council of Salisbury, Md., and it is not known if he is a member of the Council. He [REDACTED] by this council and is well acquainted in the area through his long residence there. Because of this, it is believed he should be cognizant of developments of the Council.
- (5) He is considered to be of good character and reputation by Trooper First Class [REDACTED] Maryland State Police, Barracks E, Salisbury, Maryland, contacted December 8, 1957, and by [REDACTED] December 16, 1957.
- (6) Baltimore files do not contain any information which would make a contact with [REDACTED] inadvisable.

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- [redacted]
- (7) It is recommended [redacted] be contacted to ascertain of any activities of the White Citizens Council, Salisbury, which might result in violence in connection with integration. [redacted] is reportedly in his 60s and has been a [redacted] and is a long-time resident of the area [redacted]. It is to be noted that since these meetings in September, 1957, contacts with local law enforcement agencies have not reflected any additional meetings by the Council.

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On December 16, 1957, a search of the files of the Del-Mar-Va Credit Bureau, Salisbury, Maryland, which facility covers the eastern shore of Maryland, by Clerk [redacted] located a card pertaining to [redacted] wife, [redacted]. The card indicated that in 1935 or 1936 [redacted] was a local [redacted] residing [redacted]. No actual credit transactions are recorded on this card.

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On December 16, 1957, [redacted] Salisbury Police Department, and Clerk, [redacted] Maryland State Police, Barrack E, both of Salisbury, Maryland, advised their files do not contain a record identifiable with [redacted] or his wife. In addition, [redacted] advised the local Wicomico County Sheriff's Office does not maintain arrest records.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

FROM : *OK*
SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: *O*
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DATE: 1/24/58

Rebulet to Atlanta 10/9/57, and Baltimore letter 12/23/57.

STEPS TAKEN TO INSURE SUCCESSFUL AND IMPLEMENT
PROGRAM OF CITIZENS COUNCIL COVERAGE

In an effort to be in a position to know if acts of violence are contemplated by citizens councils or individuals, or if plans are being made that would violate laws within the investigative jurisdiction of this Bureau, contacts are being maintained with Maryland and Delaware law enforcement officials for information they may have concerning these organizations. However, it is realized that these contacts are not necessarily to be considered part of citizens council coverage under this program.

Local newspapers are reviewed daily for pertinent activities of these organizations which may indicate possible trouble areas with respect to integration.

[redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, Panel Source, who has previously furnished information concerning the Croatian Fraternal Union, is now being considered as a source for the Maryland Petition Committee, and the Bureau has been so advised.

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[redacted] Easton, Maryland, is being considered as a source for coverage of the Talbot Citizens Association and for activities in the area of Easton, Maryland. At present background information is being developed on this individual.

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100-20067 CITIZENS COUNCILS
100-20576 WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL, SALISBURY
100-18552 MARYLAND PETITION COMMITTEE
100-19784 BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR STATE'S RIGHTS
100-20083 TALBOT WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
100-20547 DELAWARE CITIZENS COUNCIL

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Background information is being developed, and consideration is being given to the use of [] Selbyville, Delaware, as a source for coverage of the Delaware Citizens Council and also for KKK activities in the Milford, Delaware, area.

It is believed that [] can be placed in a position to cover citizens council activity in the Salisbury, Maryland, area and this possibility is being developed.

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RESULTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND INDIVIDUALS
DEVELOPED DURING THE PRECEDING 30 DAYS

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As a result of this program, this office has developed [] as a Source of Information and copies of reports of Maryland Petition Committee meetings attended by [] informant are being received by this office.

[]
Bureau authority has been received to contact [] as a potential Source of Information concerning coverage of the Milford, Delaware, area and the Bureau will be advised promptly of the results of this contact.

[]
Authority to contact this individual as a source covering council activity in the area of Salisbury, Maryland, has been received, and contact will be made to develop him.

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Authority to contact [] as a source for coverage of the Talbot Citizens Association (TCA) was denied at this time due to the activity of this organization. However, when information is received in the future concerning reactivation of the TCA, a request to contact [] as a possible source will be resubmitted to the Bureau.

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To date no information has been received concerning contemplated acts of violence or violations of laws within the jurisdiction of this Bureau. However, this office is continuing efforts to develop coverage of citizens councils and coverage of areas where integration trouble might arise.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 2/25/58

FROM : ^{98 K2} SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)SUBJECT: ⁰ CITIZENS COUNCILS
~~IS - X~~

ReBulet to Atlanta, 10/9/57.

STEPS TAKEN TO INSURE SUCCESS AND IMPLEMENT
PROGRAM OF CITIZENS COUNCIL COVERAGE

Efforts to obtain coverage in Citizens Councils are being continued in order that this Bureau will be in a position to know if acts of violence are contemplated or if plans are being made concerning violations of law within the jurisdiction of the Bureau, particularly relating to civil rights.

At present background information is being developed concerning [redacted] Maryland, to determine the advisability of interview and his potential for coverage of the Talbot Citizens Association and activities in the area of Easton, Maryland.

Contact is also being maintained with [redacted] Maryland, in order to effect the purpose of this program with respect to the Baltimore Association for States Rights, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Consideration is being given to the development of [redacted] Delaware, as a source concerning KKK activities in Delaware and also activities of the Delaware Citizens Council. Background information is presently being obtained on [redacted]

The possibility of using [redacted] to cover Citizens Council activities in the area of Salisbury, Maryland, is presently being explored.

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1 - 100-20576 WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL, SALISBURY
1 - 100-18552 MD. PETITION COMMITTEE
1 - 100-19784 BALTO. ASSOC. FOR STATES RIGHTS
1 - 100-20083 TALBOT WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
1 - 100-20547 DELAWARE CITIZENS COUNCIL

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[redacted] was favorably interviewed on 1/31/58 concerning the White Citizens Council, Salisbury, Maryland, and as a result of this interview, he is being designated a Panel Source for this organization.

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[redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, was favorably interviewed on 1/28/58 and as a result of this interview, he is being considered a Panel Source concerning the Maryland Petition Committee.

To date no information has been received concerning contemplated acts of violence or violations of law within the jurisdiction of the Bureau. However, development of coverage of Citizens Councils is being continued in areas where integration trouble might occur.

SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)

April 30, 1958

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Director, FBI (105-34237-3) - 23

PERSONAL ATTENTION

CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Reurlet dated April 23, 1958, in which you set forth the names of citizens councils organizations active in your territory and informant coverage of these organizations.

A review of relat reveals you have only one source who [redacted] citizens council-type organization; namely, [redacted]. Although you have other individuals who furnish information concerning these groups it should be obvious to you that these sources will not be able to furnish information concerning contemplated plans and activities of these groups. The Baltimore Office has been aware of the necessity for developing coverage since October, 1957, yet during the past six months only one source who is in a position to furnish information the Bureau needs has been obtained.

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In the event you feel your present coverage is adequate to insure that should citizens councils resort to violent activities or engage in violations of laws within the Bureau's jurisdiction your office will be aware of such activity, you should so advise the Bureau by return communication. If you feel your coverage is insufficient, an aggressive program must be initiated immediately for the purpose of securing the type of coverage necessary.

Obviously the Baltimore Office is in the best position to judge whether or not violent activities may result from activities of citizens councils in connection with integration attempts.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237-3)

DATE: 4/23/58

FROM : *gsk*
VSAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

Rebulet 3/31/58, requesting information concerning citizens council coverage by this office.

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MARYLAND PETITION COMMITTEE, INC.*m3*
Anne Arundel County Chapter

Activity of this committee continues to be periodic meetings in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and also distribution of monthly MPC bulletins and other segregation literature.

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[redacted] Source of Information, furnishes information regarding the MPC through his contacts with [redacted] attorney for the MPC. [redacted] of the MPC.b6
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[redacted] Anne Arundel [redacted] furnishes this office with reports concerning MPC meetings supplied to the [redacted] by an informant of that department [redacted] the MPC.

The Baltimore Office receives the MPC Bulletin and other literature mailed by this organization on a monthly basis through the use of a confidential name and Post Office box.

Contacts continue to be made in Anne Arundel County with trustworthy and reputable individuals concerning their knowledge of any Ku Klux Klan and citizen council activity in an effort to develop coverage. Consideration is being given to the use of PCI [redacted] for coverage of the MPC in this area.

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[redacted] Panel Source, is available to cover MPC meetings in the vicinity of Montgomery County, Maryland. She [redacted] of any citizens council.

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Sparrows Point, Baltimore County Chapter

[redacted] Panel Source, [redacted] chapter of the MPC. He [redacted] and advised that [redacted]. He further advised meetings of this group are sporadic, but that the group decided to try to hold a meeting on the last Sunday of each month.

Contact will be maintained with [redacted] to provide coverage of this group under this program.

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~~BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR STATES RIGHTS~~ *md*

[redacted], Panel Source, [redacted] of this group; however, he [redacted]

[redacted] recently advised that he telephonically contacted [redacted] the BASR, who informed him that meetings of this group are held on the third Monday of each month in Baltimore.

During [redacted] BASR meetings, he reported from [redacted] with meetings consisting of reading and discussion of "hate literature."

Attempts are being made to have [redacted] maintain contact with [redacted] and possibly attend meetings of the BASR in order to maintain coverage of this group.

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~~DELAWARE CITIZENS COUNCIL~~

Organized in August, 1957, this group held several meetings in the area of Milton, Delaware; however, there is no known recent activity by this group.

[redacted] who is not known to be a member of the Delaware Citizens Council, has been developed as a Source of Information

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concerning this organization and activities in the Milton-Milford, Delaware, area.

Background information is presently being obtained on [redacted] and consideration is being given to development of him as a source concerning the Delaware Citizens Council and KKK activities in Delaware.

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[redacted] Milford, Delaware, was successfully interviewed recently and it is believed that because of his [redacted] the Milford area, he can be developed into a valuable PSI concerning KKK and citizens council activity in this area. Background information is being developed concerning this person.

~~TALBOT CITIZENS ASSOCIATION~~ *U.S.A.*

According to contacts with local law enforcement officials, this organization is not known to be active at the present time.

Background information has been developed concerning [redacted] who [redacted] of this group and who is [redacted] of the group.

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This information has been furnished to the Bureau, and in the event the TCA is reactivated a request will be submitted to contact [redacted] as a possible source concerning the TCA. No further attempts will be made to develop additional sources unless this group becomes reactivated. In that event additional coverage will be developed.

~~WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL, SALISBURY, MARYLAND~~

It appears that the initial meeting of this organization was held on 9/4/57, Salisbury, Maryland, and contacts with local law enforcement agencies in the Salisbury area and with [redacted] indicate there have been no meetings of this council since early September, 1957.

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[redacted] has been developed as a security Source of Information concerning this council. He is [redacted]

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According to [] he has not heard any conversation concerning integration in this area, and that to his knowledge this council is completely dormant. Contacts with [] will be made when the occasion demands, and in view of the dormant status of this council, no attempts will be made at present to develop additional sources. In the event this council becomes reactivated, additional coverage will be developed.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237)

FROM : *JKO* SAC, Baltimore (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS - X

DATE: 4/24/58

R Re Baltimore letter, 4/23/58.

STEPS TAKEN TO INSURE SUCCESS AND IMPLEMENT
PROGRAM OF CITIZENS COUNCIL COVERAGE

MARYLAND PETITION COMMITTEE, INC.

Anne Arundel County Chapter

Consideration is being given to the use of PCI [redacted]
[redacted] for coverage of this group through [redacted]
[redacted] meetings of the group.

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In addition, discreet contacts are being made in Anne Arundel County with trustworthy persons concerning KKK and Citizens Council activity in an effort to develop information and also to develop reliable individuals to insure adequate coverage of this organization.

RESULTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND INDIVIDUALS
DEVELOPED DURING THE PRECEDING 30 DAYS

DELAWARE CITIZENS COUNCIL

[redacted] Delaware, was successfully interviewed recently, and it is believed that because of his [redacted] the Milford area, he can be developed into a valuable PSI concerning KKK and Citizens Council activity in this area. Additional background information being developed on [redacted]

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100-19784 BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR STATES RIGHTS
100-20083 TALBOT WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
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BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR STATES RIGHTS

[redacted] Panel Source, who [redacted]
of the Baltimore Association for States Rights, has recently
[redacted] contact with an official of this group who informed
him that meetings of the group are being held on the third Monday
of each month in Baltimore.

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Contact will be maintained with [redacted] in order to afford
coverage of this group.

MARYLAND PETITION COMMITTEE, INC.

Sparrows Point, Baltimore County, Chapter

[redacted] Panel Source, [redacted] of this group
on [redacted] There [redacted] and meetings are being
held on the last Sunday of each month.

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Contact will be maintained with [redacted] to provide coverage of
this group under this program.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 5/23/58

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20067)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS.
IS - X

Re Baltimore letter dated 4/24/58.

STEPS TAKEN TO INSURE SUCCESS AND IMPLEMENT
PROGRAM OF CITIZENS COUNCIL COVERAGEMaryland Petition Committee, Inc.
Anne Arundel County Chapter

[redacted] Chesapeake Beach, Maryland, who
has been previously contacted on discreet matters, and Rev.
[redacted] Prince Frederick, Maryland, husband of
[redacted], were
recently contacted concerning citizens council activity in
their areas.

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They furnished the identities of individuals believed to be
leaders of the MPC in their respective areas, and also furnished
the names of [redacted] Chesapeake Beach, Maryland, and [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted], Prince Frederick, Maryland, the latter
individuals whom they considered trustworthy persons.

Background information is being developed on [redacted]
and consideration is being given to development of them as PSIs
in the MPC.

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In addition, reconsideration is being given to PCI [redacted]
[redacted] who is willing to attend MPC meetings in Anne
Arundel County. Character and background in relation to the
background of individuals in the MPC will be considered.

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100-20083 Talbot White Citizens Council

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Talbot Citizens Association

[redacted] Easton, Maryland, [redacted] of the Talbot Citizens Association, Easton, Maryland. Available information indicates that [redacted] may be receptive and cooperative. Background investigation is being conducted to develop information necessary for Bureau authority to interview [redacted] for development as a PSI.

RESULTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, and INDIVIDUALS
DEVELOPED DURING THE PRECEDING 30 DAYS

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White Citizens Council
Salisbury, Maryland

At present a request to interview [redacted] Salisbury, Maryland, has been submitted to the Bureau and as indicated in this request, because of [redacted] position, he may be a valuable source of information concerning citizens council activity in this area.

Baltimore Association for States Rights

[redacted] [redacted] continues to maintain contact with [redacted] and was recently informed by [redacted] that this group is not very active. [redacted] said they only meet once in awhile, and the reason for lack of meetings and activity is that no one is taking an interest in the group.

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Source is being guided to maintain close contact with [redacted] to ascertain contemplated future activity and plans of [redacted] and the BASR.

The Baltimore Office is aware of the necessity for coverage of citizens councils in order that this office will receive advanced information of possible violence or violations of laws within the jurisdiction of the Bureau. Toward this end, an aggressive program to secure this coverage is being instituted.

SAC, Baltimore (100-20576)

May 26, 1958

Director, FBI (105-34237 sub 3)

WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS - *Baltimore*
SALISBURY, MARYLAND
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet dated May 15, 1958, in which you
requested authority to contact [redacted] who is
[redacted]

Prior to a final decision as to whether
or not [redacted] should be contacted relative to
captioned organization it is desired that you advise
if in his capacity as [redacted] he is
an [redacted] county or state. The
Bureau does not desire to develop sources among
employees of [redacted] which may become involved in
litigation in which the Bureau also may be involved.

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June 18, 1958

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WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS
SALISBURY, MARYLAND
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet dated May 15, 1958, in which you
requested authority to contact [redacted] and
Bulet May 26, 1958.

Reference is also made to Bulet dated
June 13, 1958, to Atlanta captioned "Citizens Councils,
Internal Security - X," copies to your office.

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Inasmuch as the program for developing
sources in citizens councils was discontinued with
reBulet June 13, 1958, no further action should be
taken concerning [redacted] by your office.



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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-20547)
SUBJECT: WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL -
DELAWARE BRANCH
RACIAL MATTERS
OO: Baltimore

DATE: 6/5/61

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Enclosed for the information of the Bureau are an original and eight copies of a letterhead memorandum pertaining to captioned matter.

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AGENCY *9-2, orig, on, circ.*
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BY *J. C. Tipton*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

June 5, 1961
Baltimore, Maryland

WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
DELAWARE BRANCH

On May 24, 1961, [redacted]
Wilmington, Delaware, Police Department, advised that on that
date a letter and envelope had been turned over to the
Police Department by the Honorable John Babiarz, Mayor of the
City of Wilmington. The contents of the letter which was typed
on plain white writing paper were as follows:

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"WHITE CITIZEN'S COUNCIL
DELAWARE BRANCH
DRAWER 1100 B
WILMINGTON 99, DELAWARE

May 22, 1961

"Dear Mayor,

We understand you plan to integrate the
local city restaurants.

We plan a mass demonstration to avoid this. You
see some of white folks still like to eat with our own kind
of people.

[redacted]

Branch of White Citizens
Council

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The envelope in which received was addressed to Mayor
Babiarz, City Hall, Wilmington, Delaware, and was postmarked
5:30 PM, May 23, 1961, Wilmington, Delaware. It was received at
the Mayor's Office on May 24, 1961.

[redacted] advised that the plan referred to in the
letter was a proposal by the Mayor which was given publicity
in local Wilmington, Delaware, newspapers, in which the Mayor
stated he would seek an amendment to the city's license law
to require restaurants to serve all customers regardless of race
or color. The Mayor's proposal would forfeit the license of any
restaurant which refused service on racial grounds.

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Page 2 - Re: White Citizens Council, Delaware Branch

According to articles which appeared in the Wilmington Morning News and Evening Journal newspapers on May 20, 1961, the Mayor's proposal resulted from a complaint he had received from Bishop R. L. Jones of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference, A.M.E. Zion Church, which had been holding its annual conference in Wilmington during the week, that four churchmen attending the conference were refused service "on the basis of race" at Kitty's Restaurant, 1200 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

On May 25, 1961, [redacted] U. S. Post Office, Wilmington, Delaware, advised that Zone 99 in Wilmington, Delaware, is the zone designation for the Post Office boxes in the Main Post Office at 11th and Market Streets, but that review of the box rental records discloses no box or drawer bearing the number "1100 B", and no rentals under the name of "White Citizens Council" or "Delaware Branch, White Citizens Council", or under the name, [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] advised May 25, 1961 that no further information has been received or developed by the Wilmington Police Department identifying the sender of this letter, or that would indicate any mass demonstrations are being planned to protest integration in city restaurants. He also advised that the Police Department has no information to indicate that any White Citizens Council exists in the Wilmington, Delaware, area.

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its contents are to be distributed
outside the agency to which loaned.

DATE: September 25, 1964

Transmit the following in _____

Via AIRTEL

REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (157-876)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS' COUNCILS OF AMERICA
RACIAL MATTERS
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CC TO: [illegible]
REQ. REC'D [illegible]
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Reference WFO airtel to the Bureau dated September 21, 1964, which requested Baltimore to determine any incident in connection with a meeting of the Anne Arundel Citizens Council to be held September 22, 1964, at Glen Burnie, Maryland.

There are enclosed for the Bureau eight copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned "Anne Arundel Citizens Council" which concerns the initial meeting of this organization. Two copies of the letterhead memorandum are being forwarded with this airtel to Jackson, one copy is being forwarded with this airtel to WFO and five copies are being retained by Baltimore.

The first source mentioned in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted] The second and third sources are [redacted]

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(1 - 100-422089; CINAL)
- 2 - Jackson (Enclosures 2) (REGISTERED MAIL)
- 1 - WFO (Enclosure 1) (REGISTERED MAIL)
- 5 - Baltimore (1 - 157-876)

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and [redacted] Panel Sources, whose identities should be kept confidential.

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The letterhead memorandum is not being classified in view of the number of people in attendance at the meeting.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Baltimore, Maryland
September 25, 1964

ANNE ARUNDEL CITIZENS COUNCIL ANNAPOLIS, Md.

On September 21, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he received through the mail a letter captioned "Anne Arundel Citizens Council, Annapolis, Maryland," which was signed [redacted]. The letter stated that on September 22, 1964, at 8:00 p.m. there would be a meeting of the Anne Arundel Citizens Council at the National Guard Armory in Glen Burnie, Maryland, the purpose of the meeting being to organize the Citizens Council as an affiliate of the [redacted] of America.

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On September 24, 1964, second and third confidential sources, who have also furnished reliable information in the past, advised that they attended the meeting of the Anne Arundel Citizens Council at the National Guard Armory, Glen Burnie, Maryland, during the evening of September 22, 1964.

The sources advised that there were approximately 500 people attending the meeting which was covered by both newspaper reporters and news cameramen.

The main speaker was C. M. WEIDEMEYER, member Ind of the Maryland House of Delegates. Mr. WEIDEMEYER at the beginning of his talk acknowledged the presence of both Congress on Racial Equality (CORE) and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) members. Mr. WEIDEMEYER told these people they were welcome to stay if they wanted to learn the truth. Mr. WEIDEMEYER went on to say that if they were there to agitate or cause trouble then they should leave now.

Mr. WEIDEMEYER then announced the purpose of the meeting was to organize an Anne Arundel County Citizens Council. The purpose of the council, according to Mr. WEIDEMEYER was to promote states rights and to fight for the rights of the

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ENCLOSURE

Re: ANNE ARUNDEL CITIZENS COUNCIL

white race. In doing this, Mr. WEIDEMEYER said, they were against the Civil Rights Bill, against LYNDON B. JOHNSON, against the Fourteenth Amendment, against the Supreme Court, against integration and against minority pressure groups who were for these things. Mr. WEIDEMEYER acknowledged the role of Governor WALLACE in the movement.

Mr. WEIDEMEYER then related the historical background which has created the need for organization of Citizens Councils. Mr. WEIDEMEYER said that the Fourteenth Amendment was ratified illegally after the Civil War. Mr. WEIDEMEYER then cited several early Supreme Court decisions on the Fourteenth Amendment which interpreted the meaning as separate but equal facilities.

Mr. WEIDEMEYER went on by saying that public officials in general prove they are spineless jellyfish by not adhering to this early definition of the Fourteenth Amendment. The decision as rendered by the Warren dominated Supreme Court in 1954, he said, was incorrect.

Mr. WEIDEMEYER said this decision, as well as the Civil Rights agitation was the result of minority group propaganda. This minority group, according to Mr. WEIDEMEYER has kept up such a barrage of propaganda that they with the help of the press and spineless public officials are taking our American rights away from us. Their intention, Mr. WEIDEMEYER said, is to destroy our constitutional form of government thereby taking our freedom away from us. Mr. WEIDEMEYER cited as an example of their propaganda the police brutality charges which are made when police officers are simply doing their duty.

Mr. WEIDEMEYER summed his talk up by stating the need for an organization like the Citizens Council. He asked everybody to join, work, contribute and vote.

The next speaker was JOSEPH MITCHELL, the Field Director of the Citizens Councils of America. Mr. MITCHELL outlined the purpose and advantages of affiliation with a national organization. Mr. MITCHELL indicated that there were representatives at the meeting from other local councils.

Re: ANNE ARUNDEL CITIZENS COUNCIL

Mr. HOLLIS, Executive Director of the Citizens Councils of America was the next speaker. He indicated that he was travelling each day all over the country and he gave the impression that the movement was growing by leaps and bounds. Mr. HOLLIS then stated clearly that the time had come for the people present who did not want to join the Council to leave the meeting. Approximately 50 people left.

Mr. HOLLIS then instructed his helpers to hand out the membership applications. Mr. HOLLIS went over the applications point by point reading each point aloud and asking the audience to join in with him in this reading. During this time about 100 people left.

When Mr. HOLLIS had just about finished reading the application the CORE and NAACP people rose as a group, approximately 75 people, and started leaving. They created the impression that the meeting was over, and all but about 75 people were left in the hall. Very few of these people seemed to be handing in membership applications.

The second source while at the meeting picked up some literature which indicated that the "Citizens Council" that was referred to during the meeting as the National organization, was located in the "Plaza Building, Jackson, Mississippi."

The second source advised that the account of the above meeting which appeared in the Baltimore Sun on September 23, 1964, minimized the number of persons in attendance by indicating that there were only about 400 rather than 500 and exaggerated the number of integrationists present by stating that there were close to 200 of them present rather than about 75. The second source stated that he physically counted the number of seats in the Armory and also made a physical count of the integrationists at the time they were leaving the Armory at the end of the meeting.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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MEETING GOES ON

Segregation Unit Picketed

A group of University of Maryland students tried unsuccessfully last night to disrupt a Prince Georges County Citizens Council meeting as Joseph McDowell Mitchell, controversial former city manager of Newburgh, N.Y., was speaking.

About 35 students, accompanied by several faculty members, paraded outside a recreation hall in Adelphi for almost an hour after six of their group were ejected from the meeting of the segregationist organization.

Six policemen called by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, which had been forewarned of a possible disturbance, surrounded the building as the

students marched and sang folk songs.

Inside the Lane Manor Community Building, members of the Citizens Council of Hyattsville discussed plans for a major county-wide rally designed to expand their group into an organization with members throughout Prince Georges County.

It was the third time in recent months that civil rights advocates had attempted to block Mitchell's efforts to organize Citizens Council chapters throughout Maryland.

Previous attempts occurred in Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel County and Bethesda, Montgomery County.

In each case, policemen were called out. Police cleared a path through the marchers last night

when those attending the meeting left the building and then were forced to clear the students from a nearby parking lot when the youths attempted to block the cars of Citizens Council members.

Inside the hall, about 20 persons, all well dressed and most of them middle-aged, heard Mitchell warn that their freedom would be curtailed by fair housing laws and racial employment quotas.

Also present at the meeting were representatives of the Maryland Petition Committee, a group seeking to eliminate the state's public accommodations law by referendum next month.

Mitchell told the group that if it scheduled a mass rally, all literature for the meeting would be provided by the Citizens Councils of America national headquarters in Jackson, Miss.

The two-hour meeting was more than halfover when the students appeared outside the building. Six students who had gained admittance to the meeting earlier in the evening were then asked to produce membership cards. They were expelled when they were unable to do so.

The students then marched around the building, singing "We Shall Overcome" and other songs from the civil rights movement until the meeting broke up about an hour later. Those inside the building apparently were not disturbed.

Mitchell, now a resident of Chevy Chase, was appointed by the Citizens Councils in June to organize chapters in Maryland and Virginia. The Hyattsville group was one of the first organized.

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CITIZENS COUNCILS -
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 1-19-65

FROM : C. D. DeLoach
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SUBJECT: RUMORED EXPOSE ON CITIZENS COUNCIL
PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY, MARYLAND
"THE WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS"
CIVIL RIGHTS

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Reference is made to Rosen to Belmont memorandum dated January 18,

1965. This memorandum reported that one [redacted] of the Prince Georges County, Maryland Citizens Council and that he had infiltrated this Council and was the source of the recent information to the effect threats had been made against Martin Luther King. [redacted] claims to have been furnishing information to a "Washington Daily News" reporter and advised that the "News" was scheduled to release an expose concerning the Citizens Council and that this expose was to appear immediately after the inauguration. It was recommended and approved that sources at "The Washington Daily News" be contacted regarding their proposed release.

[redacted] in my office contacted [redacted] a highly reliable contact on the "News." [redacted] who requested his identity be protected, advised that he had only limited knowledge of a proposed story on the Citizens Council. [redacted] said he had just learned this past weekend that [redacted] had been attending Citizens Council meetings and were working on an article. He said he had been told that a radio dispatcher on the Metropolitan Police Department was also involved in infiltrating the Citizens Council and apparently played a leading role in Council activities.

[redacted] said he is not sure when this article is due nor how it will be handled but said he gathered there was some problems in connection with it. According to his sources at the "News" this particular chapter of the Citizens Council is made up pretty largely of "infiltrators" and apparently it is going to be hard to claim that this is "a legitimate" Council organization. [redacted] said that information regarding this proposed article on the Citizens Council is being closely held and [redacted] are the only ones knowledgeable of the plans. [redacted] said he would see what he could find out about the proposed expose and would call my office in the event he learned any additional information.

RECOMMENDATION:

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 - Mr. Jones

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Baltimore Citizens Council Held Strongest In State

By ARNOLD R. ISAACS

Of all the segregationist White Citizens Councils formed in the Maryland-Virginia area during the last year, the Baltimore council is the strongest.

Elsewhere in the two-State area, organizing has lagged and membership is small. But the Baltimore council is flourishing. In the few months since it was formed it has taken in close to 200 members.

Gave FBI Information

This was disclosed yesterday by Norman Kilpatrick, a white liberal who became president of the Prince Georges county Citizens Council.

Mr. Kilpatrick ended his segregationist masquerade this week. He said that confidential information he has gathered during his months of activity has been turned over to the FBI and the Maryland Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations. Mr. Kilpatrick said he has re-

liable information that several city policemen are among the members of the Baltimore Citizens Council.

This, he said, should be of particular concern to city officials, since the council publicly urges defiance of civil rights laws and says it is bound by "higher laws" requiring racial segregation.

"Very Disturbing"

"It is very disturbing," Mr. Kilpatrick commented, "that men sworn to uphold the law belong to an organization which places itself above the law."

He said he had been told about the policemen by Joseph McD. Mitchell, the Citizens Council's chief paid organizer in this area. Witnesses were present when Mr. Mitchell spoke, he added.

Mr. Kilpatrick, who lives in Hyattsville, was one of a group of civil rights sympathizers who gained control of the Prince

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Georges County Council. Last weekend, the group voted to merge with the county Congress of Racial Equality.

During the last year, the Citizens Councils have begun a campaign to organize affiliates in the north. Mr. Mitchell, one of two paid organizers working outside the Southern states, arrived in this area last spring.

Fair Housing Drive Planned

Among the organization's plans for the future, Mr. Kilpatrick said, is a massive campaign against fair housing legislation.

This campaign is to be run, he said, by William Shearer, who headed the successful drive to repeal California's open occupancy law last year.

Measures to outlaw housing discrimination will be introduced in the General Assembly during the current session, although most observers feel it is highly unlikely any of them will pass.

Despite this, Mr. Kilpatrick explained, the Citizens Council will use the issue to build up its organization and its political influence.

The campaign will include circulation of anti-civil-rights literature and possibly the purchase of radio, television and newspaper advertising. All activities will be coordinated with local realtors, Mr. Kilpatrick said, as was done in the California referendum.

"... For What It Is"

The liberal group headed by Mr. Kilpatrick plans to publicize the council's operations wherever it is active, in an effort to "show this group for what it is, not what it says it is." The information will be distributed to civil rights and church groups and other civic organizations.

Mr. Kilpatrick disclosed that other Citizens Council chapters in Maryland and Virginia have also been infiltrated by liberals, and said he expects to be "well-informed" about council activities in the future.

A humorous twist to the story of the infiltration of the Prince Georges county group was added yesterday, when Parren J. Mitchell, executive secretary of the State interracial commission, told a commission meeting he himself had been offered membership.

Mr. Mitchell, a Negro, declined.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont

RE: REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, DALLAS COUNTY, ALABAMA,

denied making any statement concerning an FBI Agent furnishing information to members of the Citizen's Council. [redacted] stated the only FBI Agent he knows who is [redacted] is SA [redacted] who was recently elected [redacted] Shrine of Mississippi. He said he had never received any information from an FBI Agent at any time or any place. An affidavit was obtained from SA [redacted] in which SA [redacted] states [redacted] is unknown to him by name and has never discussed any official business with [redacted] or any other member of the Shrine.

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PRINCE GEORGES

White Citizens Council Infiltrated by Foes

The Prince Georges County chapter of the pro-segregationist White Citizens Councils of America has, in a manner of speaking, been cut to the CORE.

Virtually the entire membership of the chapter of the organization has been infiltrated by active civil rights workers and newspaper reporters intent on exposing its activities, Joseph McD. Mitchell, national field director of the councils, disclosed yesterday.

Not only has it been taken over by civil rights sympathizers, but it has formally voted to merge itself with CORE—the Congress of Racial Equality.

"Almost Funny"

"It's almost a funny story," said Mitchell.

Among those listed as a member of the Prince Georges council is a Negro minister who is a former president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in Mount Bayou, Miss.

Mitchell's reaction followed disclosure that the chairman of the Prince Georges group, Norman Kilpatrick, set up the takeover at the same time he was writing racist tracts and ostensibly working hard to promote segregation in the Maryland suburbs.

With Kilpatrick's aid, Philip Perkins immediate past president of Prince Georges CORE, became treasurer of the council, and at least 15 other civil rights sympathizers formally joined the organization or attended its meetings.

Attends National Meeting

Kilpatrick was so successful in convincing Mitchell of his enthusiasm, the two men

traveled last week to Montgomery, Ala., for a national leadership meeting of Citizens Council organizers from throughout the country. Following his return from Montgomery, Kilpatrick said his double role was finally discovered by Mitchell and other Citizens Council members.

Mitchell, former city manager of Newburgh, N.Y., several years ago instituted a "get tough welfare policy in that city. He later resigned and became a full-time organizer for the Citizens Councils last July with primary responsibility for Washington and the two adjoining states.

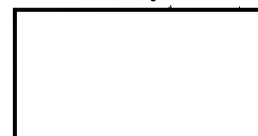
Kilpatrick, who said he initiated the counterspy project on his own, claimed yesterday that due to his efforts the Prince Georges unit is the country's only integrated Citizens Council, with a Negro, the Rev. Perry Smith, a card-holding member. Smith, the former NAACP president, has never attended a meeting but secured his membership card through Kilpatrick's influence.

Other members who have infiltrated include a Catholic priest, a college professor, a museum curator, several lawyers and government workers.

Kilpatrick said there are 12 card-carrying Prince Georges Citizens Council members, six of whom apparently are sympathetic with its aims. Included in this group is a District policeman.

Kilpatrick said he has notified the FBI, Prince Georges County Police and the Department of Justice, providing them with much of the information he obtained while working undercover.

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Conning the Council

One of the rare nice things in the seamy history of bigotry and intolerance happened in Prince Georges County recently. The segregationist White Citizens Council formally voted to merge itself with the militant desegregationist CORE.

Baltimore

The way it happened was that the membership got infiltrated by civil rights workers and reporters, all intent on finding out what the council was up to and passing along the information to the authorities.

The technique has long been used by the FBI which some observers suspect of providing most of the active membership in the Communist Party by way of regiments of infiltrators informing on one another. Secret police in France and Russia have also been credited with total infiltration of subversive groups and even with starting such groups where none existed.

The Prince Georges Council is also the only integrated Citizens group in the country, having given a card to a Negro minister active in the NAACP.

Following exposure and confession—not to say bragging—by the infiltrators, Council field director Joseph McD. Mitchell, the one-time "get tough with the poor" city manager of Newburgh, N.Y., remarked, "It's almost a funny story."

It's more than almost; it's a riot. Meanwhile, what about Mr. Mitchell? Could his whole performance in Newburgh have been an act, cleverly calculated to attract the favorable notice of the Know-Nothings? After all, he talked a good game, but nobody actually left the relief rolls. Perhaps Mr. Mitchell, too, is a secret agent of the forces of decency.

It is nice to think that the thought may worry his present employers.

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for the Star & Light.
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1. On 19 July 1965 the undersigned received a telephone call from [redacted] Silver Spring, Maryland. [redacted] stated that the meetings of the [redacted] will no longer be held at the home of [redacted] (SUPRA), but will be held someplace in Virginia.

2. A new organization, the CITIZEN'S COUNCIL is starting in Prince Georges County, Maryland. The headquarters for the organization is alleged to be in Alabama. [redacted] received an article (attached) published by the CITIZEN'S COUNCIL which was distributed in the Silver Springs area.

3. The article was mailed to the undersigned by Mrs. HANSON.

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***FREE AMERICA, FOR AMERICANS,**

ONE NATION UNDER GOD.

by Richard Cotten

What is it going to take to make the public arise as if in one mighty chorus, to demand that the administration sever diplomatic relations with the International Communist Conspiracy? There surely can be none so blind but what they realize that sacrificing the lives of our boys in undeclared wars the globe around, is tantamount to Treason. Yes, the Communists too cry out for us to "get out of Vietnam" but listen closely. There is a world of difference between what is now being done, and our defending our allies, IF AND WHEN CONGRESS DECLARES THAT A STATE OF WAR EXISTS, from the machinations of the arch conspirators, the International Communist Conspiracy.

Think this through. Would this lead to immediate nuclear destruction? Obviously not, for it is not "planned that way." (It is, however, planned that we be surrendered to the THREAT of nuclear destruction -- a little more of that later.)

We have given you what we feel is a political cartoon of sufficient power to stir some sense of right or wrong in the breast of the most unschooled addict of the "boob tube" you may meet. It has been said, "One picture is worth a thousand words." The fact is that the Chief Executive has used his power to send our boys to die in Vietnam in an undeclared war and, at the same time, send our businessmen to Moscow to "trade with the enemy"!! This is probably unparalleled in modern history!

Where are those to cry out at this TREASON?? There are some few voices crying out, but the brain-washed "multitude" doesn't listen. Why? Because of the nature of the war, this total war, that has enlisted virtually every means of communication. TRUTH IS BEING STIFLED, the principle of "TELL A LIE, TELL A BIG LIE, AND TELL IT OFTEN ENOUGH, AND THEY WILL BELIEVE IT" is actually working!! God help us in our hour of need!

Certain facts stand glaringly self-evident. Paramount is the fact that our nation is not going to fight Communism. If we can't recognize this simple fact we simply aren't being realistic.

The authors of the takeover of the Russian Revolution were exported from the lower East Side of New York City. The financing came from the same banking firms who now own our Federal Reserve System. These banking firms are but the American branches of the European banking houses that have financed all revolutions and are inter-related to the Illuminati. No, they aren't going to destroy America. This (meaning New York and Miami and Los Angeles) is "their" country. These anti-Christ conspirators, these unassimilable minorities that never had any intention other than that of reducing us to the status of a satellite in a one-world government, think they are about to have their day.

We live in a momentous period. I wouldn't trade. Yes, it is probably in fulfillment of prophecy. But in the meantime, let us OCCUPY!! There is work to do!! Untold millions must be informed, this work is needed desperately.

With little or no danger of making any major miscalculations, we can anticipate the total disenfranchisement of the white race in our Southern States, for who can resist a tyrannical government with a one hundred billion dollar annual budget?? I have looked for the moral fibre needed for the South's "Sister States" to become responsible, but have not found it. Why? Because while the citizens of the various States might be concerned, their voices are stifled by their "liberal" representatives. We are all "represented" by those who are obedient to the "hidden hand" of those who serve what we might best call, "the Illuminati"!!

The international "elite" have seized the reins. Biblically speaking, Satan, not Christ, is the Prince of the Earth and it looks as though he reigns. I in no wise doubt the power of God. But right now, He is separating the "wheat from the tares" and the statement that not all who cry "Lord, Lord" shall

How long? Goodness only knows, it could all happen next week!! Or it could happen this summer. Or, more accurately, it could start to happen this summer. Or, come to think of it -- didn't it already start in Selma these last few weeks??

Friends, no one is going to hang out a sign and tell you that the revolution is underway! It is underway however. Just ask Martin Luther King. Or ask Eugene Carson Blake. Or ask Walter Reuther, the "man who plans to be President," only I think he'd rather be called King!

In this "total war" that is being waged through every means, the simple fact is that our radio broadcast is a very powerful force for good!! "The Masses" (and pardon the expression) cannot be swayed until they hear at least a glimmer of the truth to set them thinking. The very basis of cybernetic warfare is the withholding of information so that the victim cannot reach an intelligent evaluation. This is something we overcome daily. I make no personal claims to greatness but I do recognize my opportunity. Our mail reveals that we can sway people whom we thought to be beyond our reach! Please help this voice grow!! One day it is going to be too late! Can you give me any sound reason for still treasuring "money"? You are about to see that it can't buy you a day's freedom from fear, then you will want to be able to say that you did your very best to help in the awakening!

The enemy is the "International Communist Conspiracy." It is Satanic! It is something out of the pits of Hell indeed!! It has a lot of little helpers like the "fabians" and the Americans for Democratic Action. It even gets help from the YMCA. It gets help from cub scouts singing the praises of the United Nations, its seed. It plans to "occupy." It plans to own you. To it, you are simply matter-in-motion and subject to the whim of the state, and perhaps you will not be allowed to live. If you are allowed to live it will be in abject misery. It will be in slavery. This does not have to be!

It would be a strange paradox if all the untold savings accounts, the accumulations of a lifetime, were to be "confiscated" by the "Great Society". A little "dip into capital" could prevent this surrender of our sovereignty! Now, we may still be able to hold our freedom with dollars - later on, we'll have to buy it back with blood!!!

If the foregoing sounds frightening, that is well; for the situation is truly "frightening!" If you feel that I dread it, you would find I would answer to the contrary. There is a price that must be paid for freedom, and I intend to be free. There is an evil force ruling most of the nations of the world. Those whom we betrayed in Hungary, Poland, and so forth, are also in slavery. They deserve to be free. Conflict is inevitable. You should not shirk your duty. America must be saved! There is a price that must be paid!

Out of the coming conflict (whatever form it may take), it will be necessary for those who "don't want to be involved" to make a choice, either for "God and Country" or for slavery. Many do not deserve to be free.

Christ is calling on His people. I don't mean the organized church, no single instrument has been more satanic in delivering our nation up to Satan, than has the so-called clergy. As people finally realize that their mighty buildings are not "The Church" it will be good to see.

I am in no wise discouraged, can you think of any more fascinating period in all of history? Do you not thank God daily for your awareness, and His promise of the final victory? Are you not sickened by the daily lie of our very existence, as we see our nation betrayed? Can you think of Cuba, without squirming in your own personal agony? Do you not realize that Our Lord said, "Even as you do it unto the least of these, you do it unto me"? It is "His Children" that we have betrayed!!

We shall find a way. Our Christian, Constitutional Forefathers overcame a great deal more, a much more powerful adversary. Ours, once the money power is exposed, will simply crumble away. Mob violence? Yes. Anarchy? Probably. Feudalism? Possibly. BUT THIS ABOVE ALL -- WE ARE GOING TO EMERGE AS THE CHRISTIAN CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC THAT OUR FOREFATHERS ENVISIONED, AND WE ARE GOING TO BE FREE!!

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *fb*

DATE: 4/4/66

FROM : J. G. Deegan *JG*

1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Bates
1 - Mr. Deegan

SUBJECT: *0 Citizens Councils - Baltimore*
ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS
COUNCIL, INCORPORATED,
BOX 1133, HYATTSVILLE,
MARYLAND
RACIAL MATTERS (ORG)

Deegan
[redacted]
Department of Justice, telephonically advised on 3/29/66 that [redacted] advised him that he is [redacted] of the above association. [redacted] stated that [redacted] resides [redacted] and that he furnished [redacted] with an application for membership in the above organization.

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[redacted] stated that from review of the application and from talking with [redacted] he believes that the above organization is a segregationist group. He stated he was furnishing this information in order that it could be made a matter of record with the Bureau. [redacted] did not request any investigation concerning this organization.

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Bureau files are negative concerning captioned organization. Bureau files reveal [redacted] made application to become a Special Agent in 1955 [redacted], but he was not accepted. He is described as having irrational conduct and appears to be somewhat mentally unbalanced.

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That this memorandum be forwarded to Records Section for filing.

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Visit by [redacted]
Hyattsville, Maryland, March 29,

[redacted]
Hyattsville, Maryland, visited the Eastern Section
and asked to speak to an attorney. I interviewed
[redacted] who stated that he is the [redacted]
of the Association of Citizens' Councils, Inc.

[redacted] complained that his organi-
zation had held a meeting in October 1965, which
was picketed by an unidentified group of civil
rights advocates. He stated that there were no
arrests nor any violence, but he desired an
opinion as to whether the action of the pickets
constituted a conspiracy to deprive the members
of his organization of their civil rights, citing
18 U. S. C. 241. During the interview, [redacted]
voluntarily furnished an application form used
by his organization, which is attached.

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The information contained on the back of
the application form, together with [redacted]
remarks during the interview, indicate that the
basic purpose of this organization is to promote
and advocate segregation of the races.

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I advised [redacted] that I could express
no opinion concerning the incident of which he
complained, but that if he would set forth all of
the facts and the names of witnesses in a letter
to the Department, we would give the matter our
careful consideration. [redacted] stated he would
consult with his attorney before deciding whether
to make a formal complaint to the Justice Department.

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Attachment

cc: Mr. [redacted], Internal Security Section, FBI

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PERS. SEC. UNIT



~~ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS' COUNCILS, INC.~~
~~Box 1133 - Hyattsville, Maryland~~

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
(Use Ink)

Miss
Mrs.
I, Mr. _____, of _____,
(Name) (Please Print) (Street & No. or R.F.D.)
_____, do hereby apply for membership in the
(City & Zone) - (County)

Association of Citizens' Councils, Inc., and attach \$2.00 for one year's dues,
with "The Citizen" Magazine.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED:

1. Do you believe in GOD? Yes _____ No _____.
2. What is your race? White _____. If other, specify _____.
3. Have you ever been convicted of any crime other than minor traffic violations? Yes _____ No _____. (If Yes, explain on other side.)
4. Are you now (or have you ever been) a member of any organization which advocates (or advocated) overthrowing the Government of the United States of America by force or violence? Yes _____ No _____.

I understand that the Association of Citizens' Councils, Inc. is dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our Community and in our State and to the preservation of our State's Rights.

And further, I agree that should any of the above statements or answers be false, my membership in the Association of Citizens' Councils, Inc. may be revoked, without notice, by the President or Board of Directors of said Committee.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

(Above information will be held in strict confidence)

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Dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our Community and in our State and to the preservation of our State's Rights.

ENCLOSURE

"Join the Fight for Freedom of Choice"

WHAT IS THE CITIZENS' COUNCIL DOING ?

IT IS . . .

- **LEADING THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT** against the race mixers and keeping racial agitators out of many communities.
- **BRINGING TOGETHER** groups of patriotic men and women dedicated to the principles of individual choice and race purity.
- **ORGANIZING** on a grass roots basis with control in the hands of recognized community leaders.
- **ACTING**, without fanfare, quietly, effectively and responsibly to prevent racial strife and to preserve our social and economic order.
- **BANDING TOGETHER** local Citizens' Councils into county, state and national organization for mutual consultation and advice.
- **PROVIDING INFORMATION AND RESEARCH** to supply the news media with facts on Citizens' Council activities.
- **MAKING A RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT**, with small expenditure, in mobilizing community resistance to forced integration which is recognized and acknowledged by the race mixers and of which it is justly proud.
- **PROVING**, day by day that with adequate financing we can **WIN THIS FIGHT**.
- **ASKING YOU TO JOIN THE FIGHT** — to join those dedicated to the preservation of the white race — to help carry on a thorough, aggressive and **SUSTAINED** campaign.
- **CORRESPONDING** with thousands of supporters in every state and many foreign countries.
- **SENDING ORGANIZERS** into local communities, as finances permit, to help set up new Councils.
- **PROVIDING SPEAKERS** for Council meetings, Civic and Patriotic groups, Legislative and Executive bodies, Schools and Colleges and Conventions.

JOIN NOW !!!

Fight Organized Aggression With Organized Resistance.

Dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our Community and in our State and to the preservation of our State's Rights.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DATE: 10/3/66

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (157-627) -P-

SUBJECT: RACIAL SITUATION
PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY, MD.
RM

Citizens Councils - Baltimore

For the information of the Bureau and Baltimore, there are enclosed herewith copies of the following letters which were made available to this office on 9/16/66 by [redacted]

[redacted] Richmond, Va., a liaison source of this office, who requests that his identity be concealed:

- 1) A letter to [redacted] from [redacted] a member of the Virginia Students Civil [redacted] dated [redacted] AKA [redacted]
- 2) A letter to [redacted] the [redacted] District of Virginia, from [redacted] Prince Georges County Citizens Council, Hyattsville, Md., dated [redacted] Address [redacted]
- 3) A letter to [redacted] from [redacted] dated [redacted]

It is noted that the [redacted] being a member of the Citizens Council.

The above is submitted for information.

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